

Health Service in organisations like Central Reserve Police, Assam Rifles, Coal Mines Labour Welfare Fund, etc. The response has not been good

(c) if so, the steps being considered by the Ministry to save the Industry from heavy losses?

**Appointment of Personnel Officer in Bharat Heavy Plates and Vessels Limited**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN). (a) There is no basis for assuming that Khetri Copper Project will lose Rs. 30 crores annually.

3417. SHRI P NARASIMHA REDDY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state

(b) It is not correct to say that a reserve of 5 million tonnes of ore has to be established to mine one million tonnes annually. The total ore reserves so far proved in Khetri and Kolihan mines are 59 million tonnes, out of which reserves of the order of 5.9 million tonnes have been blocked out and developed for actual mining at present.

(a) whether Government of Andhra Pradesh have made a request to appoint Personnel Officer in the Bharat Heavy Plates and Vessels Limited, Visakhapatnam from the State Government cadre in consultation with the State Government; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

(c) Does not arise.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN): (a) No Sir

**Indian Technical know-how for Foundry Forge Plant at Ranchi**

3419. SHRI RAJDEO SINGH: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state

(b) Does not arise.

(a) whether a 6,000 tonnes Forge Press has been commissioned at the Foundry Forge Plant, Ranchi set up with a cost of Rs 108 crore;

**Thirty Crore Annual Loss in Khetri Copper Project**

3418. SHRI P M. MEHTA  
SHRI P. GANGADEB:

(b) whether in setting up the said Plant, besides financial and technical assistance from Czechoslovakia our Engineers too contributed their know-how; and

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(c) if so, the proportion thereof?

(a) whether Rs. 120 crores public sector Hindustan Copper seems to be foredoomed to lose about Rs 30 crores annually on the Khetri project for years to come and whether the main reasons for this loss is faulty planning;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN): (a) Yes Sir. A 6000 tonnes press set up at a cost of Rs. 6.40 crores has been commissioned in the Foundry Forge Plant of HEC.

(b) whether according to Geological experts, a reserve of five million tonnes of ore has to be established to mine one million tonnes annually, but so far only about a million tonnes of reserves have been established; and  
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(b) and (c). The press was set up by M/s. Skodaexport of Czechoslovakia. The know-how for setting up the press was also supplied by them. In the erection and commissioning of