

exploit the deposits in Kalyadi in Hassan district and Tintini in Gulbarga district; and

(b) if so, the decision of Central Government thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI SUKHDEV PRASAD): (a) and (b). The State Government of Mysore has not approached the Central Government. The feasibility of Central Government's participation in the equity capital of M/s Chitradurga Copper Company, Mysore, is being examined in consultation with the State Government.

#### Improvement in Sino-Indian Relations

4197. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU:

SHRI H M PATEL:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are some indications to prove that the question of improvement in Sino-Indian relations is under the consideration of China;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) the basis thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a). Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The Chinese attended our Republic Day Reception in Peking at a somewhat higher level and they have recently sent a more senior diplomat to head their Embassy in New Delhi. The Chinese officials and diplomats all over the world are showing a more normal attitude in their contacts with their Indian counter-parts.

#### Increase in Prices of Cars

4198. DR. H. P. SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the prices of Ambassador and Fiat cars were allowed to be increased from January 1, 1973;

(b) if so, the extent of increase permitted in ex-factory and retail prices; and

(c) the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRY (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The extent of increase permitted in the ex-factory retail price over the price prevailing on 31st December 1972 in each case is as under:

Ambassador	Rs 272/- per car.
Fiat 1100-D	Rs 339/- per car.
	or

Premier President

(c) As per decision of the Supreme Court the prices of Ambassador and Premier President cars were allowed to be increased.

#### Industrial Licence given to Automobile Products of India for Manufacturing Vehicles

4199 SHRI Y ESWARA REDDY: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRY be pleased to state.

(a) whether the Automobile Products of India has secured an industrial licence for 48,000 vehicle units a year;

(b) whether the same company is given 'Licences' and 'letters of intent' for other items; and

(c) if so, the facts thereof?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE  
MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRY  
(SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD):**  
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The Company have also been granted industrial licences for the following:—

(1) Establishment of a tractor factory at Pratappgarh (UP) with a capacity of 12,000 tractors per annum.

(2) Expansion of their existing licensed capacity for the manufacture of brake assemblies and clutch assemblies to 100,000 Nos. and 150,000 Nos. respectively per annum.

**Allotment of Scooter Rikshaws to  
Cycle Rikshaw Drivers on Priority  
Basis**

4200. SHRI Y. ESWARA REDDY: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRY be pleased to state whether Government have received any request from the Punjab Government for fixing priority for Scooter-Rikshaws to be allotted to Cycle Rikshaw drivers who want to change their profession?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE  
MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRY  
(SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD):**  
No such request has been received by the Ministry.

**प्रधान मंत्री को विदेश यात्रा का निमंत्रण**

4201. श्री शंकर इयाल सिंह : क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वर्ष 1973 में प्रधान मंत्री को किन-किन देशों से यात्रा के लिए निमंत्रण आये हैं तथा किन-किन देशों में उनकी राजकीय यात्रा होने की संभावना है; और

(ख) यदि उनकी यात्रा की तिथि निर्धारित हो गई है, तो वह क्या है ?

**विदेश मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुरेश  
पाल सिंह) :** (क) और (ख). प्रधान मंत्री के नाम अन्य देशों के साथ-साथ, निम्नलिखित देशों की यात्रा के निमंत्रण विचाराधीन हैं :—

अल्जीरिया, बल्गेरिया, कनाडा, फिजी, जर्मन लोकतंत्री गणराज्य, इराक, इटली, जास्टा, बंगोलिया, फिलिपीन, पोलैंड, रमानिया, श्रीलंका, सूडान, सीरिया, टोंगा, ट्यूनीसिया, मिस्र, अरब गणराज्य, यूनाइटेड किंगडम, यमन अरब गणराज्य, यूगोस्लाविया और जेरे ।

इस प्रकार की यात्राओं के लिए तारीखें आतिथिय देश और प्रधान मंत्री की पारस्परिक सुविधा के अनुसार नियत की जाती है और दोनों देशों द्वारा एक ही समय में घोषित कर दी जाती है । साल के शेष महीनों में किसी यात्रा के बारे में अभी कोई घोषणा नहीं की गई है ।

**Short fall in Demand for Indigenously  
Manufactured Tractors**

4202. SHRI BHAGIRATH BHANWAR: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the tractor manufacturing units in the country are suffering a severe set back due to shortfall in demand;

(b) if so, whether one tractor manufacturing unit has gone out of production;

(c) whether Government propose to stop import of tractors since the Indian industry is in a position to meet the requirements fully; and