

Export of Know-How

127. SHRI YAMUNA PRASAD MANDAL: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether UNIDO's help has been sought for exporting our know-how; and

(b) if so, the response from UNIDO?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) No, Sir. The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), however, under the agreement between the Government of India and UNIDO, participates in programme of technology familiarisation and transfer through Exchange Missions and industry consultation meetings.

(b) Does not arise.

Cement Factory in Kangra District, H.P.

128. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated cost of setting up a Cement Factory at Samloti in Kangra District of Himachal Pradesh; and

(b) the likely date by which the factory would be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI B. P. MAURYA): (a) and (b). A letter of intent was granted to the Himachal Pradesh Mineral and Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. for setting up a cement plant at Samloti for a capacity of 2 lakh tonnes per annum at an estimated cost of Rs. 4.08 crores. The Corporation has now informed that their Consultants have recommended further geological investigation of the area. Accordingly the Corporation proposes to get the area investigated

by the Geological Survey of India and the Geological Wing of the State Government. In view of this, it is not possible at this stage to indicate the final cost estimate, capacity and the likely date of commissioning of the proposed unit.

Grant of Pension to Participants of Moplah Rebellion

129. SHRI C. H. MOHAMMED KOYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any final decision has been taken about giving pension to those and dependents of those who took part in the Moplah rebellion, a part of the Independence Struggle in Kerala; and

(b) if so, the facts thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Morale of Security Forces

130 SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any further steps have been taken to maintain the high degree of morale of the Security forces deployed along the strategic border areas, since a number of provocations made by China recently; and

(b) if so, what are those steps?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI BANSI LAL): (a) and (b). The morale of our security forces continues to be high. It has not been affected by stray incidents of provocations. They are maintaining constant vigilance on the border.