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Written Answers

Watch Factory at Darjeeling

1259. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND SUPPLIES be pleased CIVIL state:

- (a) whether Government are having any proposal to set up a watch factory at Darjeeling (West Bengal);
- (b) if so, salient features of the proposal; and
- (c) date by which the factory is likely to go in for production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND SUPPLIES (SHRI A. C. CIVIL GEORGE): (a) to (c). H.M.T. has been working on expansion of watch capacity to 3 million a year. Assembly

units will be set up in different cen-The detailed project report is under preparation. It is not possible to forecast dates at this stage.

Production of Tyres

1260. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

- (a) number of automobile tyres Dunlop, Goodyear, produced by Firestone, Ceat during the last three years, and how far is the production above the sanctioned capacity;
- (b) whether these companies were given permission for expansion during the last five years; and
 - (c) if so, to what extent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND SUPPLIES CIVIL (SHRI B. P. MAURYA):

(a)	AUTOMOBILE TYRES										
Name of unit								Sanctioned capacity	Preductica (Nec.)		
							(Nos.)		1973	1974	1975
Dunlop :										ne plantilli dell'internetty angle a para dan planting	-
Calcutta Unit				•				1,141,000	1,126,407	1,066,284	1,138.204
Ambattur unit								580,000	507,066	720.579	637,405
Good year								600,000	613,926	632,299	608,359
Pirestone								1,100,000	931,699	935,426	870,756
Ceat								850,000	673,096	617,226	752,353

⁽a) The production of the companies has been within the sanctioned capacity plus the permissible limit of 25 per cent wherever applicable.

in 1973 to Messers Dunlop Firestone, and Ceat for fuller utilisation of their existing capacity. Letters of intent have been issued in 1973 to Messrs Dunlop, Goodyear, and Ceat for sub-

⁽b) and (c). Approval was accorded