Licensed Porters at New Delhi Railway Station stopped work in May, 1967;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and their main demands; and

(c) the measures taken for the convenience of the public?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) Yes.

(b) The strike was in protest against the railway's proposal to increase the existing strength of licensed porters at New Delhi Station in view of the shortage of licensed porters there The porters demanded that the number of porters at this station should not be increased.

(c) The measures taken for the convenience of the public were:—

(i) The available class IV staff at the station viz, luggage porters, watermen, Safaiwalas etc; were utilised to carry the passengers' luggage.

(ii) Porters from Municipal Corporation were also engaged to carry passengers luggage.

(iii) Scouts were posted to assist and prevent harassment to passengers

(iv) A round-the-clock vigil by Supervisory staff and officers was arranged to ensure that the public were not put to any inconvenience.

दिल्ली के बड़े रेलवे स्टेशन पर खजाने से चोरी

6386. श्री राम सिंह अयरवाल :
श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :
श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी :
श्री ना० स्व० शर्मा :
श्री शारदा नन्द :
श्री बृज भूषण लाल :
श्री राम गोपाल शालवाले :
श्री यज्ञदत्त शर्मा :
श्री रा० स्व० विद्यार्थी :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या 3 मई, 1967 के 'नवभारत टाइम्स' में प्रकाशित यह खबर ठीक है कि दिल्ली के बड़े रेलवे स्टेशन के खजाने से 55 हजार रुपये चोरी किये गये थे ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो चोरी होने के क्या कारण थे ; और

(ग) इस सम्बन्ध में सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

रेलवे मंत्री (श्री चे० मु० पुनाचा) : (क) जी हां, लेकिन चोरी 54,800 रुपये की हुई ।

(ख) और (ग). चोरी करने का मामला भारतीय दंड संहिता की धारा 320 457 के अन्तर्गत दिल्ली की सरकारी रेलवे पुलिस के पास दर्ज कर दिया गया है और पुलिस की जांच जारी है । अभी तक न कोई गिरफ्तारी हुई है और न कोई माल ही बरामद हुआ है ।

Production in Key Industries

6387. **Shri D. N. Patodia:**
Shri R. Barua:
Shri C. C. Desai:

Will the Minister of **Industrial Development and Company Affairs** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have asked for quarterly reports from the managements of 300 key industries about the problems facing their progress in order to solve their difficulties and increase their production; and

(b) if so, the names of those industries and when the reports in question are likely to be available and what subsequent action is proposed to be taken?

The Minister of Industrial Development and Company Affairs (Shri F. A. Ahmed): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The industries so far addressed on a selective basis include:—

- Alloy and Special Steels; Ferro-alloys
- Non-ferrous metals (Aluminium, copper, zinc and lead)
- Fertilisers
- Pesticides
- Petro-chemical (progress of complexes)
- Automobiles (particularly commercial vehicles)
- Steel castings and steel forgings
- Heavy structurals including cranes
- Machine tools (selected items)
- Industrial machinery for textiles, cement, paper, mining and washeries
- Shovels and earth moving equipment
- Industrial explosives
- Ball bearings
- Agricultural tractors and power tillers.
- Power generation and transmission equipment (selected items).
- Cement.
- Paper.
- Drugs and Pharmaceuticals (selected items of basic drugs)
- Diesel engines (selected ranges)
- Electric Motors (about 50 H.P.)
- Packaging Industry.

The units addressed were requested to send the first report in the series by the 25th April, 1967, though replies from some of the units are still outstanding.

The reports received are being scrutinised in consultation with all the concerned authorities with a view to identifying bottlenecks which are common to the various industries and to devise ways & means to overcome such of those that are remediable.

वस्तुओं के लाने-ले-जाने के भाड़े की दरों में कमी

6388. **श्री राम सिंह अयरवाल :**
श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री 7 अप्रैल, 1967 के अतारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 845 के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या देश के विभिन्न भागों में कुछ वस्तुओं के लाने-ले-जाने के भाड़े की कम दरें निर्धारित करने के बारे में जानकारी प्राप्त हो गई है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्सम्बन्धी ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो कितना और समय लगने की सम्भावना है ?

रेलवे मंत्री (श्री चे० मु० पुनाचा) : (क) और (ख) सूचना संकलित की जा चुकी है और इस दिशा में एक विवरण सभा पटल पर रखा जाता है । [पुस्तकालय में रख दिया गया । देखिये संख्या LT-141/67]

(ग) प्रश्न के भाग (क) और (ख) के उत्तर को देखते हुए सवाल नहीं उठता ।

Kennedy Round Trade Talks in Geneva

6389. **Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha:**
Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:
Shri Deven Sen: