

Subsidised Industrial Housing Scheme

2013. Dr. Ranen Sen: Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of money sanctioned by the Central Government of India to West Bengal for building Houses under the Subsidised Industrial Housing Scheme during the First and Second Plan periods as also the first two years of Third Plan;

(b) the amount year by year;

(c) the money spent by West Bengal Government year by year; and

(d) the total number of houses built so far?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Shri Mehr Chand Khanna): (a) to (d). A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 73].

Steel Plants in Public and Private Sectors

2014. Shri S. M. Banerjee: Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

(a) whether a final decision has been taken to bring all steel plants in public and private sectors within the purview of Central Labour Legislation; and

(b) if not, the reasons for this delay?

The Minister of Labour in the Ministry of Labour and Employment (Shri Hathi): (a) and (b). The proposal of taking over industrial relations in the Central Government public sector undertakings from the State sphere to the Central sphere under the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 was recently discussed with the State Labour Ministers but was not accepted for the present. The matter is proposed to be discussed further with the managements of the Central Pub-

lic Sector Undertakings before taking a final decision.

Board of Trade

2015. Shri Bishwanath Roy: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the decisions taken by the Board of Trade at its meeting held on the 18th August, 1962;

(b) the details of the points or memorandum given to the Ministry; and

(c) whether there is any move to broad-base the composition of the Board by including representatives of All Indian Manufacturers Organisation, Indian Council of Foreign Trade and Indian Cotton Mills Federation?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) A copy of the Press Release issued at the end of the meeting is placed on the Table of the House. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 74].

(b) Memoranda were received from persons and associations interested in the exports of iron ore, manganese ore, bauxite and ferro-manganese. These referred to the transport difficulties regarding iron ore, the restrictions on exports of bauxite and the difficulties arising from the high cost of manganese ore and ferro-manganese.

(c) No, Sir.

Hindi Programmes on A.I.R. Station, Vijayawada

2016. Shri Ulaka: Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether All India Radio Station at Vijayawada (Andhra Pradesh) broadcasts Hindi programmes;

(b) if so the days on which they are broadcast and the time allotted for the same; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?