

P. C. Sethi: (a) The total investment made in the National Coal Development Corporation upto 31st March, 1967 is about Rs. 162 crores.

(b) This information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) In order to improve the working of the National Coal Development Corporation, certain proposals for its re-organisation are under consideration.

Establishment of New Industries at Tumkur District in Mysore

4289. Shri K. Lakkappa: Will the Minister of Industrial Development and Company Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the late Jawaharlal Nehru promised to set up new industries at Tumkur District in Mysore State when he visited that place to inaugurate the polytechnic building;

(b) if so, the action taken to implement the same, and

(c) the details of the scheme?

The Minister of Industrial Development and Company Affairs (Shri F. A. Ahmed): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House in due course.

पूर्व रेलवे की लोको परिचालक वर्ग की समिति

4290. श्री राजाबख्श जालंधरी
श्री क० नि० मजुकर :

क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या पूर्वी रेलवे लोको परिचालक वर्ग समिति ने अपने 11-सूची मांगों के सम्बन्ध में उनको तथा पूर्वी रेलवे के जनरल मैनेजर को एक आपन दिया है,

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो उनकी मांगों किस प्रकार की हैं और सरकार का उन्हें कब तक पूरा करने का विचार है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रेलवे मंत्री (श्री के० सु० गुनाखा) :

(क) से (ग). सूचना मंगायी जा रही है और मिलते ही सभा-पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

Price of Art Silk Yarn

4291. Shri Yajna Datt Sharma: Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that after the abrogation of 'Price and Distribution Control' on art silk yarn, the prices of yarn have increased by more than 70 per cent;

(b) whether it is also a fact that due to this abnormal rise in prices, the entire art silk weaving industry has been lying idle rendering more than 2 lakh workers out of job in Amritsar;

(c) whether it is also a fact that after lifting of Price and Distribution Control, Government had reduced the Excise Duty as a measure of relief but this has actually gone to the spinners and not to the real consumer; and

(d) the steps taken by Government in the matter?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Dinesh Singh): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. Government have, however, received reports of some units in Amritsar not working to full capacity.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The difficulties of the weaving industry are known to the Government and to help them an allotment of Rs. 6 crores in foreign exchange tied to foreign credits for the import of synthetic yarn (nylon yarn) has