

(a) whether any special officer has been appointed to advise the public sector projects on labour matters;

(b) if so, the name of the officer; and

(c) the duties assigned to him?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Labour and Employment and for Planning (Shri C. R. Pattabhi Raman): (a) Yes.

(b) Shri R. L. Mehta.

(c) To look after the implementation of labour laws in the public sector undertakings and advise managements and workers on labour matters.

Manali Upshi Road

273. { Shri P. K. Ghosh:
Shri Kapur Singh:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Dr. L. M. Singhvi:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to construct the Manali Upshi Road, which is to connect Kulu with Eastern Ladakh;

(b) if so, when the construction is likely to be started; and

(c) the estimated cost on the Project?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The construction will start in the summer of 1964.

(c) On the basis of a rough assessment, the estimated cost of the project will be Rs. 20 crores.

Ordnance Factory in Maharashtra

{ Shri P. K. Deo:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri P. K. Ghosh:
Shri Kapur Singh:

274. { Shri P. H. Bheel:
Shri Solanki:
Shri Himmatsinhji:
Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Koya:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an ordnance factory is being started in Maharashtra with American aid;

(b) if so, when the machinery is likely to arrive from the United States; and

(c) when the factory is expected to go into production?

The Minister of Defence Production in the Ministry of Defence (Shri Raghuramaiah): (a) An Ordnance Factory is being established in Maharashtra. A substantial portion of the plant and machinery is being financed by the U.S.A. as part of the aid programme.

(b) The machinery referred to in (a) above is expected to arrive before the end of June 1964.

(c) It is expected that trial production will be established before the end of 1964 and bulk production early in 1965.

Death of Border Roads Organisation Official

275. { Shri Hem Barua:
Shri A. N. Vidyalkar:
Shri Swell:
Shri D. D. Mantri:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recently a Camp Commander, Major Dyball, of the Border Roads Organisation, was killed by a crowd of people at Zambuk in Mizo Hills; and

(b) if so, the circumstances leading to this unfortunate incident?