Railway to examine the classification of the staff under the Indian Railways Act, 1890 as the existing machinery was inadequate to undertake this work:

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- (b) whether the team is examining cases of both upgrading and downgrading of classification and, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the team has been able to bring any savings to Government in downgrading of classification and, if so, the amount of savings effected and whether the savings will be recurring or non-recurring?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA): (a) Yes.

- (b) Yes.
- (c) Yes, the review has resulted in recurring saving of Rs. 1,87,544.00 per annum due to downgrading of classification only.

IMPORT AND MANUFACTURE OF HIGH PRESSURE CYLINDER

4439. SHRI G. S. MISHRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOP-MENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the category of high pressure cylinders imported by the Railways, Defence, Civil Departments, State Governments, Public Undertakings and Autonomous bodies and private industries during the years from 1966 to 1968 so far, in terms of Rupee and their number:
- (b) the reasons why these cylinders are not manufactured by the L.P.G. Cylinders manufacturers in the country and whether it is due to non-availability of raw material or technical know-how;
- (c) whether Government has received any proposals for the manufacture of High Pressure Cylinders in the country; and
- (d) if so, the names of the parties, the salient features of their proposals and Government's reaction thereto?

- THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) The requisite information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.
- (b) Only one manufacturer of L.P. gas cylinders has shown interest in the manufacture of H.P. gas cylinders. No reasons have been indicated by other manufacturers for not taking up manufacture of H.P. gas cylinders.
- (c) and (d) Proposals were received from M/s. Gannon Dunkerly & Co., M/s. Gas Cylinders India Ltd., Calcutta and M/s. Pressed Steel Tank Co., Calcutta for manufacture of Cylinders with an annual capacity of 18,000 Nos., 50,000 Nos. and 77,000 Nos. respectively. It has, however, since been decided to set up this project in the Public Sector and a Details feasibility report is being prepared by the National Industrial Development Corporation.

MINERALS IN MYSORE

- 4440. SHRI J. H. PATEL: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND METALS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the prospecting of copper sulphate and pyrites Mines at Ingaldal Chitturadurga, Mysore State is progressing; and
- (b) if so, the expenditure incurred thereon so far?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL, MINES AND METALS (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Geological Survey of India do not maintain their account State/ investigation wise. The expenditure incurred is met from the sanctioned budget grant of the Geological Survey of India.

MANUFACTURE OF TRACTORS

- 4441. SHRI KIRIT BIKRAM DEB BURMAN: Will the Minister of IN-DUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there is any scheme under the Fourth Five Year Plan to

manufacture tractors in the public sector:

- (b) if so, the details of the scheme, indicating its cost, production capacity, specification of the tractors to be produced and the country from which collaboration is forthcoming for this project; and
 - (c) the likely location of the plant?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL AND COMPANY DEVELOPMENT AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) to (c). A proposal to establish a factory in the public sector for the manufacture of agricultural tractors (Model-Zetor-2011 of 20 HP) with a capacity of 12,000 Nos. per annum, in col-M/s. Motokov laboration with Λf the Czechoslovakia, has been under consideration of the Government. The economic feasibility report of the project is, at present, under examination. If, after the examination of the report, it is decided to go ahead with this project, it may be set up at 'Ramnagar in Varanasi District of Uttar Pradesh. According to the estimates given in the economic feasibility report, the project is likely to cost about Rs 10.64 crores.

INDUSTRIAL ESTATES IN GUJARAT

4442. SHRI VIRENDRAKUMAR SHAH: Will the Minister of INDUS-TRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COM-PANY AFFAIRS be pleased state:

- (a) whether the Gujarat Government had submitted to the Central Government a scheme for the development of small industries and for the setting up of industrial estates in Gujarat during 1968-69;
- (b) if so, the broad features of the scheme and its layout;
- (c) whether the scheme has been approved by Government and if so, with what modification, if any; and
- (d) the employment opportunities to be created by the said scheme?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House: [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1787/68].
- (c) The proposals of the State Government of Gujarat for small scale industries and industrial estates for 1968-69 were approved without any modification by the working group on village and small industries of the Planning Commission.
- (d) The information is being collected from the State Government and will be laid on the Table of the House.

MEDIUM INDUSTRIES IN GUJARAT

4443. SHRI VIRENDRAKUMAR SHAH: Will the Minister of INDUS-TRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COM-PANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme for the development of medium industries in Gujarat in 1968-69 has been submitted by Gujarat Government;
- (b) if so, the layout and other details of the scheme, indicating the extent of additional capacity to be created in each industry:
- (c) whether the scheme has been approved by Government and if so, with what modifications, if any; and
- (d) the extent of employment opportunities to be created by the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED): (a) to (c). The Working Group on Industries and Minerals had considered the Annual Plan proposals for 1968-69 received from the Govt. of Gujarat and recommended an outlay of Rs. 432.80 lakhs for large and medium industrial schemes. The State Government have made a provision of Rs. 400 lakhs for these schemes in their Budget for 1968-The distribution of these amounts among the various schemes is given in the Statement laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1788/68].

(d) The information has been called for from the Government of Gujarat and will be laid on the Table of the House on receipt.