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1960. Shri Kolla Venkalah: Shri M. N. Swamy: Shri Laxmi Dass:

Will the Minister of Mines and Metals be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Geological Survey of India has completed its preliminary work of intensive exploration on the copper-bed deposits at Agnigundale in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the results of the exploration:

 (c) the percentage of copper, lead and other minerals found in the deposits;

(d) the possible commercial use of the deposits; and

(e) the preparation made by the National Metal Development Corporation for opening the deposits?

The Minister of Mines and Metals (Shri S. K. Dey): (a) No, Sir. The work is still in progress.

(b) and (c). The data so far obtained indicates the presence of mainly copper 'mineralisations in the Dhukonda and Nallakonda Blocks and lead mineralisation in the Bandalamottu Block. The average copper content in the deposits is of the order of 1.5 to 2 per cent and the average lead content is of the order of 7 to 8 per cent.

(d) & (e). Decision on the question of commercial exploitation of these deposits has to await further explorations which are in progress.

Cement Plants in Madra; and Dehra Dun Valley

1961, Shrimati Renuka Barkataki: Shri Kajrolkar: Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey: Shri E. S. Pandey: Shri Eavindra Varma: Shri E. Barua:

Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have approved of the schemes to set up cement manufacturing plants in Madras and the Dehra Dun Valley; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

The Minister of Industry (Shri D. Sanjivayya): (a) and (b). The following new units and expansion schemes for cement manufacture have been licenced/approved in Madras State and Dehra Dun Valley:

Name of the party	Location	Capacity (Tonnes)	New Unit/ Substantial Expansion.
MADRAS STATE			
M/s. Associated Cement Cos. Ltd.,	Madukkarai	121,910 S.E.	
India Cements Ltd., Madras	Sankaridrug .	20 0,000 600,000	
Do.	Sankarnagar .	400,000	S.E.
Madras Cements Ltd	Tulukkapatti .	200,000	S.E.
Chettinad Cement Corpn. Ltd., Madras	Karur	400,000	New
Govt. of Madras	Srivilliputhur	400,000	New
Dr. B. Natarajan	Nanguneri .	\$2,000	New
Shri S. Nallaperumal	Ambasamudram	60,000	New
Shri C. Hanumantha Rao .	Chunnambur .	6 0,000	New
DEHRA DUN VALLEY			
Hind Construction & Engineering Co. Ltd.	Dehradun*• .	200,000	New