(c) The total investment made for these Centres up-to-date amounts to about Rs. 35.84 lakhs and the number of persons employed (Gazetted and non-gazetted) in these Centres is 308

Indian Council of Trade Fairs and

1994. Shri Basumatari: Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Council of Trade Fairs and Exhibitions is going to be wound up on the March 31, 1966; and
- (b) if so, the money saved as a result thereof?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) The continuance of the Council beyond the 31st March, 1966 is under consideration.

(b) The question does not arise at this stage.

Technical Problems of Industry

1995. Shri Shree Narayan Das: Will the Minister of Supply and Technical Development be pleased state:

- (a) whether the suggestion to have a permanent body to keep a watch on the technical problems of industry has been considered by Government; and
 - (b) if so, with what result?

The Minister of Supply, Technical Development and Social Welfare (Shri Raghuramaiah): (a) and (b). Government are not aware of any such special suggestion. The Directorate General of Technical Development is already discharging these functions in respect of the Industries looked after by it.

Wagon Supply on Central Railway

1996. Shri M. L. Jadhav: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been shortage of wagon supply on the Central Railway from Maharashtra to Bengal, Bihar and Punjab States:
- (b) whether there has been great difficulty for transport of wagons for Assam on the Central Maharashtra: and
- (c) whether producers have to suffer as a result of the non-availability of wagons by not getting good market rates and deterioration of goods?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):
(a) No.

- (b) No.
 - (D) 110.
 - (c) Does not arise.

Foreign Collaborations

1997. Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad: Shri M. L. Dwivedi: Shri S. C. Samanta: Shri Subodh Hansda: Shri P. C. Borooah:

Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government have approved more than 75 projects involving foreign collaborations during September-October, 1965; and
- (b) if so, the broad details of the collaborations in the projects?

The Minister of Industry (Shri D. Sanjivayya): (a) No, Sir. Only 47 cases involving foreign collaboration were approved during September-October, 1965.

(b) Of the 47 cases, 17 involved foreign capital participation and the