

(b) and (c). The scheme is to be operated by Southern India Mill-owners' Association and Tamil Nad Millowners' Association as a single operation confined to their member mills by these associations. The funds required for the scheme would be raised on the basis of a guarantee from the Government of India to the extent of Rupees 1 crore covering about 20 per cent of their margin money requirement against which a total finance of the order of Rupees 5 crores would be raised from the State Bank of India. Final decision in the matter is expected to be reached shortly.

Hindustan Steel Limited

470. SHRI A. SREEDHARAN: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND METALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Hindustan Steel Ltd. incurred heavy financial loss during the year 1966-67;

(b) if so, the amount thereof;

(c) the reasons for this loss; and

(d) the steps taken to eradicate the loss?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL, MINES AND METALS (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) and (b). During 1966-67 Hindustan Steel Limited sustained a loss of Rs. 20.5 crores.

(c) and (d). The reasons for this loss have been analysed and the remedial measures taken or being taken have been indicated in the Paper entitled "Performance of Hindustan Steel Limited" laid on the Table of the House on the 5th April, 1968.

Survey of Iron Ore in Calicut

471. SHRI A. SREEDHARAN:
SHRI KAMESHWAR SINGH:

SHRI SRADHAKAR
SUPAKAR:
SHRI P. VISWAMBHARAN:

Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND METALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have completed the geological survey of iron ore deposits in Calicut district in Kerala;

(b) if so, the findings of the survey; and

(c) the steps Government have taken or are proposing to take in the light of the survey?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL, MINES AND METALS (SHRI RAM SEWAK): (a) No Sir. The investigation for iron ore in Calicut district by the Geological Survey of India is still in progress.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

मोटर टायरों की चोरबाजारों

472. श्री श्रीम प्रकाश त्यागी : क्या औद्योगिक विकास तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली में मोटर गाड़ियों और ट्रकों के टायर चोर बाजार में बेचे जा रहे हैं और उन्हें उचित मूल्य पर प्राप्त करना जनता के लिये कठिन हो गया है; और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो इस स्थिति को सुधारने के लिये सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

औद्योगिक विकास तथा समवाय-कार्य मंत्री (श्री फलकस्वहन शर्मा) : (क) दिल्ली में ट्रक तथा मोटर कारों के टायरों के उचित मूल्य पर उपलब्ध न होने की शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं।

(ख) विभिन्न टायर कंपनियों से अनुरोध किया गया है कि वे अपने दिल्ली के