

**The Deputy Minister in the Department of Social Welfare (Shrimati Chandrasekhar):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) By the end of April, 1966.

#### **Demand for Coal from U.P.**

**2422. Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:** Will the Minister of Mines and Metals be pleased to state:

(a) the demands for various grades of coal received from the Uttar Pradesh Government during 1965-66 so far; and

(b) the quantity supplied to that State so far during the same period?

**The Minister of Mines and Metals (Shri S. K. Dey):** (a) and (b). The demand for various grades of coal in the year 1965-66 for State sponsored industries, brick kilns and domestic consumers in the Uttar Pradesh, was estimated in consultation with the State Government at about 2.5 million tonnes. The total despatches during the period April to December, 1965 itself have been 113,230 wagons equivalent to 2.5 million tonnes.

#### **Small Scale Industries in Rajasthan**

**2423. Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:** Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 978 on the 19th November, 1965 and state:

(a) whether Government have since received the report of the team of officers of the National Small Industries Corporation who visited Rajasthan in connection with the implementation of some industrial schemes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto?

**The Minister of Industry (Shri D. Sanjivayya):** (a) No, Sir. The Report is being finalised by the National Small Industries Corporation.

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

#### **Railway Hospital at Gorakhpur**

**2424. Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the average number of patients who visit Railway Hospital at Gorakhpur North Eastern Railway daily; and

(b) the number of doctors posted and the beds provided in the said Hospital?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh):** (a) The average attendance at the outpatient department of the Railway Hospital Gorakhpur was 110 patients per day during the period February 1965 to January 1966.

(b) 25 doctors and 280 indoor beds have been provided in the said hospital

#### **Quota of Tin and Cement for Punjab**

**2425. Shri Daljit Singh:** Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Punjab Government requested the Central Government to increase the present quota of tin and cement due to Emergency; and

(b) if so, the decision taken in the matter?

**The Minister of Industry (Shri D. Sanjivayya):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A special quota of 1,000 tonnes of cement was released to the Government of Punjab for the period October-December, 1965. The State Government's request for 30 tonnes of tin, however, could not be met.

#### **Flag Station at Brahmur station on the Rupar-Nangal Dam Section (Northern Railway)**

**2426. Shri Daljit Singh:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to start a flag station at Brahmur between Nangal Dam and Bhanupali on the Rupar-Nangal Dam Section;

(b) whether it is also a fact that security was deposited by some person and necessary stationery got printed; and

(c) if so, the delay in taking any decision in the matter?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):** (a) No. It was proposed in 1956 to open a contractor-operated train halt at Brahmur between Nangal Dam and Bhanupali stations on Rupar—Nangal Dam section, but subsequently the proposal had to be dropped as Punjab Government did not agree to bear its share of cost for providing the halt.

(b) Yes.

(c) Does not arise in view of reply to part (a) above.

#### S.C. and S.T. Commissioner

**2427. Shri Daljit Singh:** Will the Minister of Social Welfare be pleased to state:

(a) the places visited by the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the country state-wise, during 1965-66; and

(b) the handicaps noticed by him among the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and measures suggested by him to overcome them?

**The Deputy Minister in the Department of Social Welfare (Shrimati Chandrasekhar):** (a) A list showing the names of the places visited by the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library See No. LT-5812/66].

(b) These tours are undertaken by the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in order to enable him to prepare his annual reports which are placed before Parliament. The problems studied by him during these tours will be indicated by him in his annual Report for the year 1965-66 and no information about

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them is available with the Government at this stage.

#### Rourkela By-product Plant

**2428. Shri Kapur Singh:**  
**Shri P. K. Deo:**

Will the Minister of Iron and Steel be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the progress of Rourkela's by-product plant;

(b) when the expansion programme is likely to be completed; and

(c) the total amount which is likely to be spent for the purpose and the details of the original estimate? —

**The Minister of Iron and Steel (Shri T. N. Singh):** (a) to (c). The By-product Plant set up at the one million tonne stage has been functioning quite satisfactorily and is now being expanded as part of the Steel Plant's expansion to 1.8 million tonne steel ingot capacity. About 81 per cent of earth work, 94 per cent of concrete work and 46 per cent of equipment erection work had been completed upto end of January 1966. The expansion is expected to be completed by the middle of this year.

The total amount sanctioned for the expansion of the By-product plant is Rs. 37.526 millions against the original estimates of Rs. 34.439 millions. According to present estimates, the expenditure is not likely to exceed the sanctioned amount. The details of original estimate are:

Plant and equipment, including spares: Rs. 21,353 millions.

Other expenditure on erection, supervision, engineering, freight, customs, etc.: Rs. 13,086 millions.

The increase is mainly on account of customs and erection costs.