

**Thackerson Stainless Steel process
developed by C.S.I.R.**

9433. SHRI VIKRAM CHAND MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the much publicised process "Thackerson Stainless Steel, developed and patented by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research a few years ago, has been found to be disappointing ; and

(b) if not, the amount (value-wise and weight-wise) of Stainless steel manufactured in India under this process during the last three years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) and (b). No, Sir. The Alloy Steel Plant at Durgapur undertook trial production and produced about four tonnes of steel according to this process in the Induction furnace. Further trials will be necessary and the economics of the processing will have to be studied before commercial exploitation of the process is decided upon. This may take a year or more.

**Cases advocated by M.Ps on behalf
of Government**

9434. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the Minister of LAW AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the names of Members of Parliament who have advocated cases for Central Government in the Courts of Law during the last three years ; and

(b) the amount paid to each of them year-wise ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI M. YUNUS SALEEM) : (a) and (b). The requisite information is not readily available with the Ministry and will be laid on the Table of the House after it is collected.

Import Substitution Programme

9435. SHRI MUHAMMAD SHERIFF :
SHRI TULSIDAS
DASAPPA :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have appointed an Official Committee to inquire into the import substitution measures ;

(b) if so, the names of the members of the Committee ; and

(c) when the Committee is expected to give its report to Government ?

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

(b) This Official Committee has been appointed under the Chairmanship of the Secretary, Ministry of Industrial Development, Internal Trade and Company Affairs with Secretaries of other economic Ministries, Director General of Technical Development and Development Commissioner for Small Scale Industries, as members.

(c) This Committee is intended to be a Standing Committee which would meet periodically to take stock of the progress made and to chalk out further programme of action.

**Grievances of Guards of Gomoh
(Eastern Railway)**

9436. SHRI ISHAQ SAMBHALI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Guards of Gomoh (Eastern Railway) have issued wire to entire Railway machinery on the 21 March, 1969, and petition, protesting Against the introduction of DM Link between Mughalsarai and Gomoh, covering a distance of 373 K.Ms. by Gomoh Guards working over 14 hours at a stretch ;