

(b) In these accidents 79 persons were killed.

(c) The cost of damage to railway property was estimated at approximately Rs. 75,06,000.

Appointment of contacted and casual Labour on Permanent Basis.

4728. SHRI ABDUL GHANI DAR: Will the Minister of STEEL and HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware that there are thousands of contracted labour and casual labour working in public Sector Steel Plants; and

(b) if so, the reasons for not appointing them on permanent basis?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL & HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Since casual and contract labour are generally employed by the Steel Plants on project construction work or jobs of seasonal or occasional nature, it is not possible to employ them on a regular basis.

Remittances of Coca-Cola Export Corporation

4729. SHRI SHANTILAL SHAH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE be pleased to state;

(a) the remittances of the Coca-Cola Export Corporation (India) to its parent body in the U. S. A. by way of profit and other charges during the period 1965---68;

(b) the export earnings of the said firm during this period;

(c) the net foreign exchange outflow during this period due to the operation of the said Company in India, considering the total remittances and the total earnings through exports by the firm; and

(d) whether the exports by the said firm are due to a condition in the permission allowing their operation in India?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE (SHRI M. R. KRISHNA) : (a) to (c). The remittances of the Coca-Cola Export Corporation (India) to its parent body in the USA by way profit etc., there export earnings and net foreign exchange earnings during the years 1964--1968 are as follows:

Year	Remittance	Export earnings	Net foreign exchange earning Surplus (Deficit)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1964	6,35,127.27	8,67,666.14	2,32,538.87
1965	17,60,765.68	41,33,750.38	23,72,984.70
1966	21,40,601.39	72,73,264.00	51,32,662.61
1967	41,46,511.09	31,97,849.91	9,48,661.18
1968	21,65,508.47	59,98,914.47	38,33,406.00

(d) No, Sir.