

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL & HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) and (b). There was an electrical fire in the substation of one of the shops of the Foundry Forge Plant of Heavy Engineering Corporation, Ranchi on the 16th October, 1970 causing a loss of Rs. 15,000. The fire was due to a short circuit.

(c) No individual could be held responsible for this incident.

#### Accidents in H. E. C., Ranchi

4578. SHRI BABURAO PATEL : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of accidents that occurred in H. E. C., Ranchi due to sabotage, negligence and similar to causes, from January, 1968 to November, 1970 with total loss in rupees to Government ; and

(b) the steps taken to prevent such accidents ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL & HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

#### Consultancy Charges paid to Foreign Firms by H. E. C., Ranchi

4579. SHRI BABURAO PATEL : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state the names of foreign firms to whom consultancy charges were paid by the Heavy Engineering Corporation, Ranchi during the last two years with exact amounts paid to each firm ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL & HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) ;

The information is as Under :

	1968-69	1969-70
	Rs.	Rs.
Messrs. Skoda-export, Pregel, Czechoslovakia	371,497.12	3,80,341.87
Messrs. Japan Consulting Institute	302,000	Nil

#### Orders Placed with Project Department of H. E. C. by Delhi Municipal Corporation

4580. SHRI BABURAO PATEL : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Municipal Corporation placed orders with the Project Department of Heavy Engineering Corporation ; and

(b) if so, nature and value of orders placed with specific reasons for not accepting them ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL & HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### Cost of Production of Mild Steel Ingot in Electric Furnaces and Main Steel Plants

4581. SHRI GAJRAJ SINGH RAO : Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) the average cost of producing Mild Steel Ingots in electric furnaces and main steel plants ; and

(b) the total output of M. S. Ingots/billets, Steel Castings and Special Steel by electric furnaces during April, 1969—March, 1970 and April, 1970—September, 1970 ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.