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मद्रास के श्री मदन मोहन राव को उनके द्वारा छोटी कार के निर्माण के सम्बन्ध में विदेशों से डिजाइन प्राप्त करने हेतु विदेशी मुद्रा देने से इन्कार कर दिया है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

अौद्योगिक विकास तथा आंतरिक व्यापार मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री मं० रंकुष्ण): (क) और (ख). मद्रास के श्री एम० मदन मोहन राव को आशय पत्र अन्य शर्तों के साथ-साथ इस शतं पर जारी किया गया है कि किसी भी विदेशी सहयोग अथवा विदेशी परामर्श की अनुमति नहीं होगी। तदापि उसने 12,000 डालर की विदेशी मुद्रा विये जाने का अनुरोध किया है ताकि वह अपनी कार के नमूने को अमरीकी परामर्शदाता से जांच करवा ले। उसके अनुरोध पर अभी निर्णय नहीं लिया गया है।

Railway Employees Travelling without Tickets

4654. SHRI RAM KRISHAN GUPTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that most of the Railway employees as also the staff of C. R. P. travel without ticket or proper pass; and
- (b) if so, steps taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NANDA): (a) and (b). No. Railway employees detected travelling without proper tickets or passes are not only charged like other ticketless passengers, but in addition, departmental action as considered fit is also taken against such staff.

In the case of police personnel, in addition to recovery of railway dues, the matter is brought to the notice of the State Government concerned for suitable departmental action.

Quantity of Iron Ore supplied to Steel Plants

4655. SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY EN-GINEERING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that our steel plants are not getting rich iron ore inadequate quantities and this has resulted in the plants not working to their full capacity;
- (b) whether this under-utilisation of capacity has caused shortage of steel in the country necessitating huge imports; and
- (c) whether the shortage of rich iron ore is due to the fact that India is exporting the richest iron ore to Japan under obligation of a long term agreement?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Import of steel is necessitated partly because of the steel plants not producing to their rated capacity, increasing demands for steel and also because some categories of steel are not being produced in the country. The shortfalls in production are due to a veriety of reasons, such as disturbed industrial relations, particularly at Durgapur, Burnpur and Rourkela, inadequate availability of refractories, some technical constraints etc.
 - (c) Does not arise.

Seminar on Industrial Development in Delhi

4656. SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the five important Secretaries of Government looking after the Economic Ministries made some vital announcements in connection with the new dimensions to be given to the licensing policy to boost industrial growth, while speaking at the "Industrial Development—its challenge and potentially" Seminar in Delhi;