Sall Credit

8319. SHRI PURNA CHANDRA MALIK: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the total amount of credit given by the Steel Authority of India Limited to customers (excluding overseas buyers) during the last three years; and
- (b) the total quantity of iron and steel sold by Steel Authority of India Limited (excluding overseas buyers) during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES AND MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) The total amount of credit given by the Central Marketing Organisation of Steel Authority of India Ltd., (excluding IISCO) to its domestic customers during the last three years works out to approximately to Rs. 1256 crores.

(b) The total quantity of iron and mild steel sold by SAIL (excluding IISCO) to domestic customers during the last three years is as follows:

Material		(Oty. in lakh tonnes)	
(i)	Pig Iron	25.85 approximately	
(ii)	Saleable steel	174.54 approximately	

Appointment of Director at Regional office, Madras

8320. SHRI B. RAJARAVI VARMA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government are aware that the Regional Office of Government of India Tourism Office at Madras is working without a Regional Director/Assistant Directors during the last five months; and

(b) if so, the time by which these vacant posts are likely to be filled?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SATYA PAL MALIK): (a) and (b). The posting order of Regional Director, Madras have been issued and the incumbent is likely to join at Government of India Tourist Office, Madras shortly. There has always been an Assistant Director in position.

[Translation]

Malanjkhand Copper Project

- 8321. SHRI MOHANLAL JHIKRAM: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:
- (a) the name of authority which is controlling 'Malanjkhand Copper Project' and its organisational set up;
- (b) the number of employees skilled and unskilled working there category-wise;
- (c) whether the quota of SCs and STs have also been filled up as per the prescribed roaster and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the measures taken to fill up the vacant posts?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES AND MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) Malajkhand Copper Project (MCP) in Balaghat District of Madhya Pradesh is one of the operating units of M/s. Hindustan Copper Limited, a public sector undertaking under the Depart-

ment of Mines. The Company has its Registered Office at Calcutta, and is headed by a Chairman-cum-Managing Director who is assisted by three other whole-time Directors. MCP is headed by an Executive Director who reports direct to Chairman-cum-Managing Director.

(b) The number of workers categorywise employed at MCP are indicated below:—

1.	Managerial and Supervisory		224
2.	Clerical	_	117 🗼
3.	Skilled	_	817
4.	Unskilled		742
	Total		1900

- (c) The quote for Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes at MCP have been filled up in Groups 'B', 'C' and 'D' posts as per the prescribed roaster. There is no back-log in these categories. As regards Group 'A' posts, recruitment is done by the Head Office for the Company as a whole with no back-log for these categories of employees also.
 - (d) Does not arise.

[English]

Export of Fish from Bombay Port

8322. SHRI G.M. BANATWALLA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantity of different types of dried fishes exported from Bombay port during the last three years;
- (b) whether the exports have fallen as compared to exports in 1976, 1977 and 1978:
 - (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether Government propose to set up drying yards in ports where the bulk of

dried fish is available and can be exported?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SHREEDHARAN): (a) Total quantity of export of dried fish though Bombay Port during the last three years were:

Period	Quantity in tonnes	
1	2	
1987	622	
1988	566	
1989	52	

(Source; MPEDA, Cochin)

(b) and (c). Export of dried fish through Bombay Port in 1976, 1977, and 1978 were:—

Period	Quantity in tonnes	
1	2	
1976	22	
1977	320	
1978	2086	

(Source: MPEDA, Cochin)