

23rd March, 1979 to the Hindustan Steel Ltd., and the second one was issued on 18th April, 1980. The Hindustan Steel Ltd., has applied for expansion of licensed capacity. It normally takes about three years for a cement plant being set up. So, it would have to be taken from the date it starts actually functioning.

**SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA:** Is it a fact that in 1974, the present Prime Minister, Mrs. Gandhi laid a foundation stone at Paradip for the establishment of a cement factory there, and that that foundation stone was thrown away by the recent Janata Government when it was in Power in the State? Has the present State Government of Orissa represented several times for a cement plant at Paradip? If so, what is the Government reaction to it?

**SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA:** I don't have the details of this stone-laying and stone-throwing—and on the second point also.

**SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA:** It is an important question; and information may be obtained and supplied second point also.

#### **Firms manufacturing Power Protection Relays**

\*864. **SHRI TRIDIB CHAUDHURI:** Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of firms in the country manufacturing power protection relays and equipment for electricity generating and distributing establishments in the country; and

(b) how far their production is adequate to meet the demand?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA):**

(a) At present there are four units engaged in the manufacture of power protection relays and equipments.

Three more units are expected to go into production during 1980.

(b) At present there are marginal shortages which are being met by imports. With the coming into production of three more units during the year the indigenous production is likely to be adequate for meeting the demand.

**SHRI TRIDIB CHAUDHURI:** Only yesterday, the Minister of Power gave a written answer to a question, in which he said that there were about 10 firms; and of them, 4 were in production, whose installed capacities were 49,200, 12,500, 30,000 and 5,040 respectively. I find that 5 more firms with installed capacities of 27,000, 22,000, 32,000, 18,000 and 10,000 have been installed, although they had not yet gone into production. It seems that there is a fairly large demand for these power protection relays and equipment. I would like to know how the Government says that the demand is only marginal, when they have licensed so much of capacity.

**SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA:** My reply to the hon. Member was that at present, there were marginal shortages which were being met by imports. In addition to the 4 units which are functioning—about whose installed capacities the hon. Member spoke, and what he said was correct—six licences have been given only for the purpose of filling in the demand for the future. So, I have submitted to the hon. Member and to the House that we are referring to catering to the demand of the future also—demand of to-day and the tomorrows to come.

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(क) हिन्दुस्तान मशीन टूल्स के ट्रैक्टर यूनिट ने 1 जनवरी, 1979 से 30 जून,