

collaboration with any foreign automobile manufacturers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DR. CHARANJIT CHANANA): (a) to (d). A visit to U.K. was undertaken by the Minister of State for industry between the 31st of January and 4th February, 1981 at the invitation of the U.K. Government. Enroute to U.K., the Minister also visited France. The visits were undertaken with a view to expanding cooperation with these countries including the automotive industry. Visits were made, *inter alia*, to the Peugeot car manufacturing unit in France and the factory of British Leyland in U.K. The management of these companies as also the French and British Governments exhibited interest in the proposed automobile project. A decision on entering into collaboration will be taken after examining details of the proposals that may be received from the automobile manufacturers who have been invited to submit offers.

Raising the Cement Production Capacity

*137. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to raise the cement production capacity by another 22.5 million tonnes by 1984-85; and

(b) if so, the details of the additional capacity to be raised under the programme in different States and in different sectors?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b). The Working Group for cement industry appointed by the Planning Commission have estimated that an additional capacity of 22.69 million tonnes is expected to materialise by 1984-85 during the Sixth Plan period. The details are given in a statement laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

The Details of the capacities likely to come up during the Sixth Five Year Plan State-Wise and sector-Wise.

(In Million Tonnes)

| State | Public Sector | Private Sector | TOTAL |
|-------------------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| 1. Andhra Pradesh | 1.80 | 3.84 | 5.64 |
| 2. Bihar | .. | 0.13 | 0.13 |
| 3. Gujarat | .. | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 4. Himachal Pradesh | .. | 0.56 | 0.56 |
| 5. Jammu & Kashmir | 0.20 | .. | 0.20 |
| 6. Karnataka | 0.40 | 1.54 | 1.94 |
| 7. Kerala | 0.42 | .. | 0.42 |
| 8. Madhya Pradesh | 0.80 | 3.80 | 4.60 |
| 9. Maharashtra | .. | 2.26 | 2.26 |
| 10. Orissa | 2.13 | .. | 2.13 |
| 11. Rajasthan | .. | 1.80 | 1.80 |
| 12. Tamil Nadu | .. | 0.70 | 0.70 |
| 13. Uttar Pradesh | 1.68 | .. | 1.68 |
| 14. West Bengal | 0.26 | .. | 2.26 |
| Total: | 7.69 | 15.00 | 22.69 |