

(b) whether USSR have indicated their readiness to help us in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) to (c) IISCO authorities have under a contract concluded on 9th October, 1982, entrusted to Soviet agencies, the work of preparation of Detailed Feasibility Report for the modernisation of the steel plant at Burnpur. The Feasibility Report is expected to be ready in a year's time.

#### Setting up of Double Circle Offices by G.S.I.

\*349. SHRI BAGUN SUMBRUI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Geological Survey of India is setting up double circle offices in Bhubaneswar, Patna, Bhopal and Madras, to be followed in Bangalore, Nagpur and Pune;

(b) whether three dimensional studies of ore bearing sedimentary basins will be taken up by geophysical studies followed by immediate stepping up of diamond drilling activity in the favourable areas for delineating the depth persistence of sedimentary formations and intrusive rocks;

(c) what policy directives have been given by Government to accelerate the mineral exploration;

(d) whether it is possible to ascertain in depth, the ore bearing zones by modern methods;

(e) whether the Geological and Geophysical Wings are being strengthened in these double circle offices with a view to paving way for major single State region; and

(f) action taken to strengthen the drilling wing to search and locate ore bodies with a three dimensional study?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) There are at present two Circle Offices of Geological Survey of India functioning in Bhubaneswar, Patna, Chandigarh, Bangalore and Hyderabad. The desirability of setting up additional administrative units to the extent necessary is separately under consideration.

(b) The practice of three dimensional studies is already being followed for certain important basins. Diamond drilling activity will be stepped up as and when necessary.

(c) To accelerate mineral exploration, G.S.I. has been asked to take up time-bound programmes in respect of various important mineral deposits, including increasing use of modern and sophisticated methods and tools for this purpose.

(d) It is possible to infer the depth of ore-bearing zones by integrated methods.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) The Drilling Wing of the G.S.I. is maintained at an optimum strength in each region so as to carry out the quantum of drilling required for the Departmental programmes controlled by the region/divisional wing.

#### एक्स-रे फिल्मों का निर्माण

\*350. श्री सत्य नारायण जीटिया : क्या उद्योग मंत्री निम्नलिखित जानकारी दर्शाने वाला विवरण सभापटल पर रखने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश में कौन सी कम्पनियाँ एक्स-रे फिल्मों का निर्माण करती हैं और उनकी उत्पादन क्षमता कितनी है ;