

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY) : (a) Statistics relating to industrial licences are maintained on a Calendar-year basis and not financial year-wise. During the years 1969 and 1970, the total number of industrial licences, as distinct from letters of intent, issued for the establishment of "New Undertakings" only, apart from cases of substantial expansion, manufacture of new articles and for carrying on-business, was 34 and 62 respectively. No licence for the establishment of a "New Undertaking" has been issued to any of the concerns belonging to Birla, Tata and Sahu Jain groups during these two years.

(b) Letters of intent/licences are issued on the merits of each application keeping in view various factors such as technical feasibility of the scheme, foreign exchange considerations, location etc. In the first instance, a letter of intent is usually issued, which is converted into a licence once the conditions in the letter of intent are fulfilled.

(c) Ordinarily it takes two to three years for a new industrial undertaking to commence production. The licences, are, therefore, at various stages of implementation.

**Opening of a Halt Station at Golbai
(South-Eastern Railway)**

31. **SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI :** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether at the Zonal meeting held in August, 1970 a decision was taken to open a Passenger Halt at Golbai on South-Eastern Railway ; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to open this Passenger Halt ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

**Construction of Railway Colony
at Paradeep**

32. **SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI :** Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Railway Colony at Paradeep is coming up ; and

(b) the name of the contractor party who has been given the contract for the Railway Colony and the estimates made for the same ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) The work is yet to start because of the delay in getting land from the Paradeep Port authorities. This work is planned for completion under Phase-II of the Project.

(b) The contract for the construction of quarters at Paradeep Railway Colony was entrusted to M/s. Republic Traders, Calcutta, in May, 1970. The approximate total cost of these quarters is estimated to be Rs. 11.25 lakhs.

Expansion of Rourkela Steel Plant

33. **SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI :** Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the proposed expansion of Rourkela Steel Plant has been finalised by now , and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) There is no such proposal under consideration at present.

(b) Does not arise.

**Setting up of Second Steel Plant
in Orissa**

34. **SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI ;
SHRI D. K. PANDA :**

Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the processing of site selection for the establishment of a second steel plant in Orissa, as promised by Government in the last Lok Sabha, has been undertaken by now ; and

(b) if so, the extent of progress made so far, in this regard ?