

embankments of river Kamla in Bihar beyond Jai Nagar upto Sisapani in Nepal ; and

(b) if so, the causes of delay and the anticipated period of the beginning and completion of the project ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SINCHAI AUR VIDUT MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI) (SHRI B. N. KUREEL) : (a) and (b). There is no agreement with H.M.G. Nepal for extending the embankments of the Kamla in Bihar beyond Jai Nagar upto Sisapani. They have however agreed in principle for such extension of embankments.

The State Government have decided to implement an alternative scheme which provides for strengthening of right bank of Western Kamla Canal and the left bank of Eastern Kamla Canal to serve as flood banks and adequate cross drainage works for protecting the irrigated areas from the spills of the Kamla. The work on this alternative scheme has been taken up by the State Government. It is proposed to watch the effect of these works before considering the extension of the embankment in Nepal territory.

Issue of Licences to Monopoly Houses

972. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (AUDYOGIK VIKAS MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) the number of new licences granted to each of the 75 monopoly houses named by the Monopolies Commission during the last three years ;

(b) the date and specific purpose of granting these licences ; and

(c) whether Government propose to stop further grant of licences to the monopoly houses, and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (AUDYOGIK VIKAS MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI) (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) : (a) and (b). During the last three year viz. 1968, 1969 and 1970, 12 industrial licences for setting up of new industrial undertakings were issued to the Larger/Large Industrial Houses. Details regarding names of the Industrial Houses and dates of issue of licences as well as items of manufacture are given in the attached statement.

(c) In the interest of accelerating industrial growth and the need for creating greater employment opportunities in the country, Government does not contemplate any blanket denial of grant of industrial licences to the Larger/Large Industrial Houses. While Government's policy is to give maximum encouragement to newer and comparatively smaller entrepreneurs in the industrial development of the country, the energies and expertise of these Houses would also be utilized in the larger interest of the economy.

The main purpose is to ensure a greater degree of regulatory control in respect of the future growth and activities of the Houses. The "Larger Houses" will be expected to participate along with others primarily in the 'Core' and 'heavy investment sectors'. Undertakings belonging to or controlled by the 20 Larger Industrial Houses cannot expand or diversify in future without a licence. Expansion of existing undertakings falling in these categories in the 'middle' sector would be permitted only if such expansion is in the interest of greater cost efficiency or it is considered essential to reach a minimum economic size. Applications from these concerns would be considered for new undertakings even in the 'middle' sector, provided these are established in backward areas where no other entrepreneur is willing to invest, or substantial exports are undertaken.

Statement

Name of the Industrial House	No. of licences issued for new Undertaking	Date of licence	Item of manufacture
1	2	3	4
Andrew Yule	1	22.12.70	Flameproof Air break Circuit Breakers
Birla	2	30.5.68 16.10.68	Staple Fibre Yarn G. L. S. Lamps and Fluorescent lamps

1	2	3	4
I.C.I.	1	28.8.68	Synthetic Paints
Sarabhai	1	25.11.70	Polyester Staple Fibre
Shri Ram	1	10.3.69	Table/Pedestal/Wall fans and Ceiling Fans
Jaipuria	1	6.12.68	Cotton Yarn
Kamani	1	23.4.70	Cold Rolled Steel Strips
Kothari (D. C.)	1	6.11.70	Sugar
Shaw Wallace	1	31.8.68	Compressed Bakers yeast, Yeast Extract
T.V. Sundaram Iyengar	1	14.2.69	High Tensile Bolts and Nuts, set screws and socket head screws and Rivets
V. Ramakrishna	1	13.9.68	Electronic Analogue Computer.

Survey for Tirunelveli-Kanyakumari Line

973. SHRI S. A. MURUGANANTHAM : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS (RAIL MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) whether the survey of the proposed Tirunelveli-Kanyakumari line has been completed ;

(b) whether the construction of the line is to be taken up during the Fourth Plan ;

(c) if so, when the construction is expected to begin ; and

(d) how long it will take to complete the construction ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (RAIL MANTRI) (SHRI HANUMANTHAIYA) : (a) Yes.

(b) to (d). The Survey Reports of the Trivandrum-Cape Comorin-Tirunelveli line are at present under the examination of the Railway Board. A decision regarding the construction of this line will be taken after the examination is completed.

Expansion of Hindustan Machine Tools Ltd., Bangalore

974. SHRI S. A. MURUGANANTHAM : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (AUDYOGIK VIKAS MANTRI) be pleased to state :

(a) whether the expansion plans for the Hindustan Machine Tools Ltd., Bangalore have been finalised ;

(b) if so, the main features thereof ; and

(c) the estimated cost of the plans ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (AUDYOGIK VIKAS MANTRALAYA MEN UP-MANTRI) (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD) : (a) and (b). Government have approved of the scheme submitted by the Hindustan Machine Tools Limited, Bangalore, to expand the production of watches by establishment of a new factory in Jammu and Kashmir State and by expansion of their existing watch factory at Bangalore for taking up production of automatic watches with day/date mechanism. The Company is taking steps to implement this expansion. The other projects proposed by the Company for implementation during the Fourth Plan are the Tractor Project at H.M.T. unit Pinjore ; the Printing Machinery Project at the Company's unit at Kalamassery (Kerala) and the Metal Forming Press Project in the Hyderabad unit of the Company. These projects are, at present, at different stages of consideration of the Government and the Company. The Company, in addition, also proposes to take up the project for manufacture of Die Casting and Plastic Injection Moulding Machines from its own internal resources.

(c)	(Rs. in crores)
Tractor Project	4.91
Metal Forming Press Project	3.30