

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND ENGINEERING (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) and (b). A Letter of Credit for 10 per cent of the contract value has been established by the Iran Organisation. Trial rolling of the rail section has been undertaken in Bhilai Steel Plant. No shipment has so far taken place against this contract.

Talcher-Bimlagarh Rail Link

*27. SHRI S. KUNDU :
SHRI P. K. DEO :
SHRI D. N. DEB :
SHRI S. M. KRISHNA :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to conduct a technical and economic survey of Talcher—Bimlagarh rail link in Orissa ;

(b) whether Government have also decided to start the construction of the said rail line from 1971-72 ; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) to (c). Preliminary Engineering and Traffic Surveys are proposed to be undertaken in 1969-70 for the Talcher-Bimlagarh rail link. A decision regarding to construction of the line can be taken only after the surveys are completed and the results thereof known.

Small Car Project

*28. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES :
SHRI MRITYUNJAY PRASAD :
SHRI RAM AVTAR SHARMA :
SHRI YAJNA DATT SHARMA :
SHRI D. AMAT :
SHRI S. R. DAMANI :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) Whether a final decision on the Small Car project has been taken;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) Whether Government have received requests from the State Government seeking permission to set up Small Car Units in their states;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) Government's decision in this matter ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) Not yet, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d). The Government of Mysore has sponsored a proposal for setting up of a project for the manufacture of Cars in collaboration with a Japanese firm.

(e) The proposal of the Mysore Government will be considered, along with other similar proposals, after a decision is taken on the inclusion of the Small Car project in the Fourth Five-Year Plan.

Exemption of Indian Textite Exports from Britains Import Deposit Scheme

*29. SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY :
SHRI BIBHUTI MISHRA :
SHRI P. N. SOLANKI :
SHRI M. L. SONDHI :
SHRI C. JANARDHANAN :
SHRI JAGESHWAR YADAV :
SHRI PRAKASHVIR SHASTRI :
SHRI J. MOHAMMAD IMAM :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) Whether the Government of U. K. has turned down India's plea for exempting its textile exports to that country from the import deposit scheme;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto;