

Supply of Steel Sheets to M/s. Hind Galvanising and Engineering Co. (P) Ltd.

श्री SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state ;

(a) since when M/s. Hind Galvanising and Engineering Co. Private Ltd., started receiving supplies of 18 gauge steel sheets from producers against allotment of 1011 tons made to them by the Directorate-General of Technical Development for the year 1964 65 ;

(b) the quantity of free sale steel sheets purchased by them from M/s. Aminchand Pyarelal and Ramkishan Kulwantra and from any other source ;

(c) the number of barrels manufactured and supplied by them to various parties out of such steel sheets ;

(d) whether it is a fact that records pertaining to sales and purchases of such steel sheets are being maintained by the Iron and Steel Controller ; and

(e) if so, the reasons why Government do not verify from the above importers and the Iron and Steel Controller as to whether any free sale sheets were supplied to M/s. Hind Galvanising and inform the correct position to the House ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F.A. AHMED) : (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

रेलगाड़ियों का देर से चलना

*355. श्री प्रकाशबीर शास्त्री : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) रेलगाड़ियों के देर से चलने को रोकने के लिये क्या उपाय किये जा रहे हैं ;

(ख) क्या कुछ ऐसी रेलगाड़ियां हैं, जो एक वर्ष में आधे से अधिक दिन देर से चली हैं ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उनके देर से चलने के

कारणों का पता लगाने के लिये क्या कोई प्रयास किये गये हैं ?

रेलवे मंत्री (डा० राम सुमंग सिंह) : (क) और (ग). क्षेत्रीय रेलों और रेलवे बोर्ड में सभी स्तरों पर इस बात को सबसे अधिक महत्त्व दिया जाता है कि सवारी ले जाने वाली गाड़ियां समय पर चले। सवारी ले जाने वाली गाड़ियों के संचलन पर मण्डल नियंत्रण कार्यालयों में प्रत्येक क्षण निगरानी रखी जाती है। सवारी ले जाने वाली गाड़ियों के समय-पालन पर क्षेत्रीय रेलों के मुख्यालयों में प्रतिदिन निगरानी रखी जाती है। रेलवे बोर्ड में सर्वोच्च स्तर पर भी गाड़ियों के समय-पालन के सम्बन्ध में समय-समय पर समीक्षा की जाती है।

सिगनल और कांटों की खराबियां, इंजन/चलस्टाक में गड़बड़ी आदि जैसी उपस्कर में कभी-कभी होने वाली खराबियों के अलावा गाड़ियों के देर से चलने के कारण इस प्रकार हैं :—खतरे की जंजीरों का अंधाधुंध इस्तेमाल, जिसके फलस्वरूप गाड़ियां अनिर्धारित स्थानों पर रुक जाती हैं और सवारी ले जाने वाली गाड़ियों का निर्धारित समय, खासकर इकहरी लाइन खण्डों पर, अस्त-व्यस्त हो जाता है ; तांबे के तार कर्पण तार आदि जैसे आवश्यक रेल उपस्कर की चोरी, जिसके फलस्वरूप संचार व्यवस्था ठप्प पड़ जाती है, आन्दोलन, बन्द तथा प्रदर्शन आदि, आदि।

सवारी ले जाने वाली गाड़ियों के परिहार्य अवरोधों के सभी मामलों का विश्लेषण किया जाता है और मामले में दण्डात्मक तथा सुधारात्मक कार्रवाई की जाती है।

(ख) जी हां।

Hindustan Machine Tools

*356. SHRI S. S. KOTHARI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Hindustan Machine Tools has improved its functioning during the first quarter of the

current year as compared to the setback it had suffered during 1968-69 ;

(b) if so, the estimated increase in production in this quarter ;

(c) whether the Company expects to use 90 per cent of its installed capacity and to earn a reasonable return on capital employed ; and

(d) what have been its sales, profits and losses during the years from 1966-67 to 1968-69 and what are its estimates for the year 1969-70 ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) and (b). The production of machine tools in Hindustan Machine Tools Ltd. during the first quarter of 1969-70 was almost on the same level as that of the first quarter of 1968-69, even though it was lower compared to the production in the last quarter of 1968-69. However in view of the improvement in the inflow of orders, the performance during the subsequent quarters of 1969-70 is expected to be comparatively better than that of 1968-69. The production of watches in the Company's Watch Factory continued to maintain the upward trend during the first quarter of 1969-70.

(c) During the year 1969-70 the Company expect to utilise 80% of their plant capacity for production of machine tools subject to regular and adequate inflow of orders. With the fuller utilisation of plant capacity and establishment of new lines of production envisaged, the Company expect to earn a reasonable return on capital employed.

(d) *(Value in Rs. Lakhs)*

	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70
Sales	1505	1465	1535	2148
			(provisional)	(estimated)

Net Profit (+)

or Loss (—) (+) 126 (—) 66 (—) 34 Not estimated (provisional)

Establishment of a Pig Iron Plant in Haryana

*358. SHRI A. SREEDHARAN :
DR SUSHILA NAYAR :

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

(a) whether it is a fact that there had been a proposal under consideration of Government to establish a pig iron plant in the State of Haryana ;

(b) if so, the progress made so far for its establishment ; and

(c) the funds allocated for the same ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI C. M. POONACHA) : (a) A Letter of Intent was issued in September, 1963, in the name of the Director of Industries of the then undivided Punjab for setting up a pig iron plant with an annual capacity of 100,000 tonnes in Hissar district.

(b) and (c). In the absence of satisfactory progress, the Letter of Intent was cancelled on the 20th November, 1968.

Loss to Railway Property due to Telengana Agitation

*359. SHRIMATI ILA PALCHOUHRI :
SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY :
SHRI BISWANARYAN SHASTRI :
SHRI N. R. DEOGHARE :
SHRI RAMACHANDRA VEERAPPA :
SHRI D. B. RAJU :
SHRI Y. A. PRASAD :
SHRI JUGAL MONDAL :
SHRI HUKAM CHAND KACHWAI :
SHRI BANSH NARAIN SINGH :
SHRI BHARAT SINGH CHAUHAN :
SHRI VISHWA NATH PANDEY :
SHRI SHASHI BHUSHAN :
SHRI R. K. BIRLA :
SHRI ONKAR LAL BERWA :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the loss suffered by the Railways in the Telengana area since the agitation for