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Deposits of iron ore in Maharashtra

2611. DR. BHAI MAHAVIR:
SHRI SHRIDHAR WASUDEO
DHABE:

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that iron ore mines are operating in Chandrapur district of Maharashtra to extract large deposits of iron ore;

(b) since when they are operating and how much quantity of ore has been extracted so far and what are the total deposits iron ore in the districts; and

(c) how much iron of the district is used by Maharashtra Electros melt Limited, a State Government undertaking, per year for the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI N. K. P. SALVE): (a) Two iron ore mines in Chandrapur district of Maharashtra are being operated by the Maharashtra Electros melt Limited and one by a private company. The Maharashtra Electros melt has leasehold of estimated reserves of

1.82 million tonnes of ore with 63 per cent to 69 per cent iron as on 1-1-1980. 162 million tonnes of reserve occur in Chandrapur district.

(b) and (c) Information is being collected from the State Government and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Closure of industrial units

2612. DR. BHAI MAHAVIR:

SHRI SHRIDHAR WASUDEO
DHABE:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of industrial units closed in the country during the last three years;

(b) the number out of them which have been opened in the last three years' year-wise; and

(c) what steps Government have taken to reopen the rest and what is the loss of production per year and number of workers rendered unemployed due to closure?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI S. M. KRISHNA): (a) According to data collected by the Ministry of Labour, number of factories closed during 1980-82 was as follows:

	1980		1981		1982	
	No. of closures	No. of employees affected (000)	No. of closures	No. of employees affected (000)	No. of closures	No. of employees affected (000)
(i) Due to industrial disputes.	N.A.	N.A.	311	8	188	15
(ii) Due to other reasons.	340	18	350	37	442	42
			661	45	630	57

(b) The data are not being collected by the Ministry of Labour.

(c) The Government have announced certain policy measures for guidance of Central Ministries, State Governments; and Financial Institutions to deal with the problem of sick industries. Reopening of closed factories is examined by the authorities concerned as per these guidelines.

Performance of Public Sector Undertakings

2613 MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE:
Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister in a recent letter to the Ministers in charge of public sector undertakings has expressed dissatisfaction at the performance of public sector undertakings and asked the concerned Minister to give necessary political push to show results;

(b) if so, what steps his Ministry are taking in respect of the undertakings under his Ministry; and

(c) the amount of loss suffered by each undertaking, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI S. M. KRISHNA): (a) In a recent letter from Prime Minister to Minister of Industry, the desire to see the improvement in the performance of Public Undertakings has been stressed.

(b) The performance of public sector undertakings is continuously reviewed at regular intervals and efforts are being made to improve the performance of undertakings incurring losses. Measures taken/being taken to improve the performance of public sector undertakings, *inter-alia* include strengthening of management, renewal and replacement of old plant and machinery on a regular and plan-

ned basis, installation of D.G. Sets to overcome the power shortage and urging the State Electricity Boards for giving more power, diversification into newer areas of manufacture, adequate provision of funds by Government to meet their working capital requirements and providing assistance in meeting their raw material inputs.

(c) The figures of profit and loss of individual public sector undertakings are available in the published document 'Public Enterprises Survey' which is laid on the Table of the House by the Ministry of Finance, Bureau of Public Enterprises, every year.

Dacoity in jewellery shops in the capital

2614. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI V. VENKA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Jewellery shops which were subjected to dacoity in the capital during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) what is the total loss during this period, year-wise;

(c) the number of dacoits who were arrested by the police in this connection till date;

(d) the number of unresolved cases till date; and

(e) what security measures are being taken to prevent day-light dacoity in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. VENKATASUBBAIAH): (a) There has been one incident each in the years 1981, 1982 and 1983 (upto 7-12-1983) of dacoity in Jewellers shops in the Union Territory of Delhi. No such incident was reported in the year 1980.