

Central Government to set up a large scale cement plant in the joint sector at Purulia in that State;

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the said proposal;

(c) what is the date on which the proposal was sent to the Central Government for approval; and

(d) what action for Central Government have taken on the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (d) A letter of intent was granted to M/s. Ashoka Cement Ltd. on the 6th August, 1973 for setting up of cement plant at Ramkanali with an annual capacity of 2.60 lakh tonnes for manufacture of blast furnace slag cement. West Bengal Industrial Development Corporation proposed to implement this project in the joint sector and their application was received on the 24-12-77. The application was duly considered and the proposal to set up this unit in the Joint Sector was approved on the 23th April, 1978. A new company under the name and style of M/s. Damodhar Cement & Slag Ltd. has been formed to implement this project. The firm have now applied on 30th March, 1979 for conversion of letter of intent into an industrial licence and this is under process.

Shifting of paper mill from Mizoram

295. SHRI LALSAWIA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to shift paper mill from Mizoram; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) No paper mill has so far been established in Mizoram. The question of shifting does not, therefore, arise.

U.P. Chief Minister's meeting with P.M. on communal riots in Aligarh

296. SHRI GHOUSE MOHIUDDIN SHEIKH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh met Prime Minister in June, 1979 and apprised him of the situation of Aligarh communal riots; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. D. PATIL): (a) and (b) In a matter like the communal situation in Aligarh, the Prime Minister remains constantly in touch with the Chief Minister and others concerned, not only through personal meetings but also by correspondence or telephonic conversations. As such, it is difficult to say what was discussed with a particular person on a particular date.

297. [Transferred to the 20th July, 1979].

District industries centres in Andhra Pradesh

298. SHRI CHADALAVADA VENKATARAO: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of district industries' centres Government have decided to be set up in Andhra Pradesh during the current year; and

(b) what achievements have been made by the district industries centres set up so far in that State?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) It has been decided to set up 8 additional District Industries Centres in Andhra Pradesh during the current year.