

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI R. DESAI): (a) and (b) the Jallianwala Bagh Memorial Trust after carefully considering relevant issues decided to have a fitting Memorial and a good park at the site of the massacre. The wall bearing the marks of bullets is there for the visitors to see. The narrow approach lane has also been kept intact to give an idea to the visitors about the only available narrow lane for entry and exit.

(c) There is no such proposal.

1153. [Transferred to the 20th December, 1977.]

**Impact on employment of development of small and cottage industries**

1154. SHRI U. R. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state the impact of the measures taken by Government during the last seven months to promote rapid development of small scale and cottage industries on employment generation in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (KUMARI ABHA MAITI): As the measures taken by the Government to promote development of small scale and cottage industries are to be implemented by the State Governments, it is not possible to assess the impact on employment generation in such a short time.

**Poor maintenance of the Calcutta-Madras National Highway**

1155. SHRI BRAHMANANDA PANDA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Highway from Calcutta to Madras passing through Orissa is not maintained properly;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what is the amount of expenditure incurred on the maintenance of the National Highway during the last three years; and

(d) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to widen the National Highway; if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI CHAND RAM): (a) It is being maintained satisfactorily for the present traffic within the frame work of available resources.

(b) Does not arise.

(c)

Year	Total expenditure
	(Rs. in lakhs)
1974-75	25.39
1975-76	25.89
1976-77	45.98

(d) The entire portion of National Highway No. 5 lying in Orissa is planned to be widened to two lanes. Fifty works costing about Rs. 6.00 crores have already been sanctioned and are at various stages of progress.

**Demand for separate Jharkhand State**

1156. SHRI SHYAM LAL GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government have received any representation recently from the tribal communities of Bihar demanding a separate Jharkhand State comprising the two Adivasi regions of Chotanagpur and Sanchal Parganas, and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken thereon?