

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Development Authority proposes to undertake the responsibility of electrifying its colonies in Delhi; and

(b) if so, whether any request to this effect has been made to the Central Government and reaction of Government thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER/सिंचाई और विद्युत मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (SHRI BAIJ NATH KUREEL): (a) No, Sir. The work of electrification of Delhi Development Authority colonies will continue to be executed through the Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking as at present.

(b) Does not arise.

EFFECTS OF WAGON SHORTAGE ON JUTE AND PAPER MILLS IN CALCUTTA

18. SHRI KALYAN ROY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS/रेल मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item published in the *Hindusthan Standard* on June 22, 1971 under the heading "Calcutta mills hard hit by wagon shortage";

(b) if so, whether Government are aware of the fact that a large number of jute and paper mills in Calcutta may have to be closed down soon due to the shortage of railway wagons; and

(c) what are the details of the immediate steps which Government propose to take to tackle the situation?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS/रेल मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI):

(a) Yes.

(b) Transport of traffic to different industries in West Bengal has been seriously affected due to repeated dislocation of train services on account of various anti-social activities, particularly in Calcutta area and its suburbs, where the jute and paper Mills are situated. Movement of jute to West Bengal area had however been more this year as compared to last year.

(c) There is no shortage of wagons on Railways, but there is temporary short availability of the same for reasons mentioned under part (b) above. All possible efforts are being made to control these anti-social activities

by improving the law and order position in West Bengal.

UNION CARBIDE MIDGET ELECTRODES

19. KUMARI SHANTA VASISHT:
SHRI MAHITOSH PURAKAYASTHA:
SHRI SUHRID MULLICK
CHOUDHURY :
SHRI GOLAP BARBORA:
SHRI CHITTA BASU:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT/औद्योगिक विकास मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has issued the letter of intent for the expansion of capacity of the Union Carbide Midget Electrodes;

(b) whether Government have allowed the shifting of the factory from Calcutta to Hyderabad;

(c) if so, whether the consent of the Government of West Bengal was obtained for the transfer; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT/औद्योगिक विकास मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (PROF. SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, shifting of the factory from Calcutta to Hyderabad has been allowed; but the Company have been permitted to implement their scheme of expansion for manufacture of midget electrodes at the Hyderabad factory.

(c) The Director of Industries, West Bengal, when consulted had not agreed to the implementation of the expansion capacity at Hyderabad instead of at Calcutta.

(d) It is not in the country's interest to divulge the reason for allowing the capacity at Hyderabad.

DEMANDS FOR LINKING POONA-MIRAJ SECTION WITH CENTRAL RAILWAY

20. SHRI A.G. KULKARNI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS/रेल मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the persistent demand by the railway users in the Poona-Miraj Section of the South Central Railway to delink that Section from the South Central Railway and link it with the Central Railway, with its divisional headquarters at Poona or Sholapur; and