

AND INTERNAL TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to compel big industries to purchase certain parts from small scale units while granting licence ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY) : (a) and (b) It has been provided in the guidelines to the licensing authorities that items which can be effectively manufactured as ancillaries, through small-scale units should as far as possible, be set apart for manufacture in the small-scale sector. This aspect is also examined by the Development Commissioner, Small Scale Industries at the stage of licensing. It is intended that, in such cases, when letters of intent are issued, the components which can be manufactured as ancillaries are not included in the programme of manufacture of the applicant unit or a condition is imposed that such components would be farmed out to the small scale sector.

RECOMMENDATION OF JOINT INDO-BRITISH MISSION

268. SHRI J. S. TILAK : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question No. 1186 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7th December, 1970, and state :

(a) whether Government have considered the recommendations of the Joint Indo-British Mission as regards the needs and manufacturing potential of the process plants in the country ; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the decisions taken by Government thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY) : (a) and (b) The recommendations of the Joint Indo-British Mission as regards the needs and manufacturing Potential of the process plants in the country, are still under the consideration of the Government.

CRASH PROGRAMME FOR PAPER MANUFACTURE

269. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) the extent of the progress so far achieved in the crash programme for paper manufacture ;

(b) what arrangements have been made for increasing the manufacture of pulp ;

(c) whether it is a fact that existing forest resources are not being fully exploited for pulp manufacture and that in Kashmir alone about seven to eight million cubic feet of branches, wood chips and odd pieces or left to waste in the forest because these cannot be handled economically by the existing transport system ;

(d) whether it is a fact that several foreign experts had suggested introduction in India of "wood pipe-lines" which will carry the chopped chips and pieces directly to pulp factories ; and

(e) if the answer to part (d) above be in the affirmative whether any action has been taken on the said suggestion, and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY) : (a) The Crash Programme Committee has selected 22 schemes received from the existing paper mills for incorporation in the crash programme. Implementation of these schemes will increase the annual paper production in the country by 1 lakh tonnes. Out of these 22 schemes ; applications for import of machinery were received from 15 parties. These have since been cleared by the Central Goods Committee.

(b) The crash programme envisages increase in capacity for the manufacture of pulp as well as for its conversion into paper.

(c) The existing forest resources in Kashmir are not being utilised for the manufacture of pulp at present. Problems connected with logging and transportation of the cellulosic raw materials from high altitudes to a central