

Ford Motor Company of USA. It would not be proper to divulge the details of the collaboration agreement which is a commercial contract between two private parties.

(c) A proposal has been received from M/s. Ford Products Company, Australia, for collaboration for the manufacture of passenger cars in the public sector. The foreign firm have offered to send a team to India to make a survey of the present stage of development of the automobile ancillary industry in the country and to study the economics of the project.

(d) The proposal submitted by them is under examination along with three other proposals.

APPLICATION FOR NEW INDUSTRIES

*11. SHRI N.P. CHAUDHARI:
SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:
SHRI B. S. SAVNEKAR:
SHRI T. G. DESHMUKH:
SHRI S. B. BOBDEY:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNAL TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of applications for starting new industries and for expansion in existing industries received by Government during the year ending the 31st December, 1970, categorywise i.e., in core sector, middle sector etc.

(b) the number of such applications which have been cleared as regards grant of the Letters of Intent; and

(c) what are the major sectors of items proposed for manufacture by the applicants?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY): (a) and (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. (See Appendix LXXV, Annexure No. 2)

(b) During the year 1970, 319 letters of intent were issued for setting up of new industrial undertakings and for effecting substantial expansion.

RETRENCHMENT OF WORKERS

✓*12. DR. Z. A. AHMAD:
SHRI M. V. BHAYDRAM:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state;

(a) the number of workers under the Engineer-in-Chief, Railway Electrification, Allahabad, who were retrenched for alleged shrinkage of cadre and taking part in trade union activities during the period between 3rd August, 1970 to 5th November, 1970.

(b) the number of workers recruited for Railway Electrification scheme at Kanpur during the same period; and

(c) the reasons for the surplus staff at Allahabad not being absorbed at Kanpur?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA):

(a) to (c) 358 casual labourers were discharged in the first week of August, 1970 on reduction of work at Allahabad. None was discharged for trade union activities. An agitation followed involving intimidation, assault and manhandling of officers and staff. 61 persons were discharged on disciplinary grounds. The Police arrested 222 men, many of them at Kanpur and neighbouring stations. More than 200 absconded. This led to a shortage in the Kanpur area of the Project which was made up by taking 436 men. Of these 121 were from the discharged casual labourers, 37 from those who absconded but reappeared, 20 from old casual labourers of the Project and 136 from casual labourers of the open line on Allahabad Division. Of the labour discharged at Allahabad on reduction of work, those who offered themselves for absorption at Kanpur were taken. ✓

ELECTRIFICATION OF VIRAR-SABARMATI SECTION

*13. SHRI J. S. TILAK : Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state.

(a) whether the work of electrification of Virar-Sabarmati section has been progressing according to the schedule; and

(b) if so, the time by when it is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA : (a)
Yes, Sir.

(b) The work likely to be completed sometime during 1972-73. ✓

चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजना में नई रेलवे लाइनें

* 14. पंडित भवानी प्रसाद तिवारी : क्या रेल मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश में चौथी योजनावधि में कौन-कौन सी नई रेलवे लाइनें बिछाने का विचार है;

(ख) चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजना में कौन-कौन सी नई रेलवे लाइनें बिछाने का प्रस्ताव है और इन पर कब तक कार्य प्रारम्भ किए जाने की सम्भावना है; और

(ग) ऐसी अधूरी पुरानी लाइनें कौन-कौन सी हैं जिन्हें चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजनावधि में पूरा किया जाना है ?

† [NEW RAILWAY LINES DURING FOURTH PLAN

* 14. PT. BHAWANI PRASAD TIWARY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the new railway lines proposed to be laid in Madhya Pradesh during the Fourth Plan period;

(b) the names of the new railway lines proposed to be laid during the Fourth Five Year Plan and the time by when work on these is likely to be started; and

(c) the names of the incomplete old railway lines which are to be completed during the Fourth Five Plan Year period ?]

रेल मन्त्री (श्री के० हनुमन्तैया) : (क)
मध्य प्रदेश में दो नयी रेलवे लाइनें अर्थात्,

(1) मोरवा (सिंगरौली) से कटनी तक और

(2) गुना से मक्सी तक

निर्माणाधीन हैं। चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजना में जिन और नयी लाइनों पर काम शुरू किया जायेगा, उन प्रस्तावों को अभी अन्तिम रूप नहीं दिया गया है।

(ख) चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजना में निर्माण के लिए अब तक केवल दो लाइनों-तोरणगल्लू मुदुकुलपेन्टा बड़ी लाइन और डाबला-सिघाना मीटर लाइन की स्वीकृति दी गयी है। आगामी कुछ महीनों में इन पर काम शुरू हो जायेगा।

(ग) एक विवरण सभा पटल पर रख दिया गया है।

विवरण

लाइनों का नाम	पूरे होने की निर्धारित तारीख
मध्य रेलवे—	
1. मोरवा (सिंगरौली)—कटनी (बड़ी लाइन, 254 कि० मी०)	मार्च, 1972

† [] English translation.