

1488. [Transferred to the 17th December, 1970.]

SETTING UP OF NEW STEEL PLANTS

1489. SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:

CHOULHARY A. MOHAM-
MAD

SHRI B. C. PATTANAYAK:

SHRI SHERKHAN:

Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to set up steel plants in various States in addition to those relating to which Government have already taken a decision; and

(b) if so, the time by when a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI MOHD SHAFI QURESHI): (a) and (b) Government do not consider it possible at present, to take up construction of any more steel plants, other than the three already announced. They, however, propose to initiate location studies during the Fourth Plan period for steel plants to be set up during the Fifth and subsequent Plans. It is too early to indicate the date by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard.

BANGAON-BARASAT DOUBLING SCHEME

1490. SHRI A. P. CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that Eastern Railway administration has decided to start the construction work of Bangaon-Barasat doubling scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to absorb the retrenched casual workers of the Andul-Calcutta Chord Link Project in this project;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GULZARILAL NANDA): (a) No, sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

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CASUAL LABOURERS WORKING IN ANDUL CALCUTTA CHORD LINK PROJECT

1493. SHRI MONORANJAN ROY:

SHRI SALIL KUMAR GAN-
GULY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all casual labourers who were working since 1964 in the Andul Calcutta Chord Link Project Calcutta have been retrenched;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that the General Manager, Eastern Railway had assured the casual labourers that they will be absorbed in open line maintenance job in other projects; and

(d) if so, what steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GULZARILAL NANDA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

CONDUCTORS IN NORTHERN RAILWAY

1494. SHRI D. THENGARI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 1018 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 10th March, 1969 and state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Railways have issued fresh orders regarding the working together of Train Conductors who are in the scales of pay of Rs. 250—380 and Rs. 205—280; if so, whether he will lay on the Table of the House a copy of the communication in this behalf; and

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, whether the Railway Board propose to issue fresh orders regarding the posting of Conductors in the Delhi Division of Northern Railway in the scale of Rs. 250—380 on more important trains, and the rest of them on other trains as laid down in the instructions issued by the Railway Board in this regard?