

RAILWAY LINES FOR MOVEMENT OF IRON ORE

1340. SHRI DHARAM CHAND JAIN: Will the Minister -of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the details of the railway lines constructed for the movement of iron ore in different States including the expenditure incurred thereon and their utilisation since 1957?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GULZARILAL NANDA): The information is not maintained State-wise, but Railway-wise. However, a statement showing new Railway lines constructed for the movement of iron ore since 1-4-1957 Railway-wise, along with their estimated costs and utilisation during 1969-70 is attached. [See Appendix LXXIII, Annexure No. 71]Y

IRON ORE FOR BHILAI STEEL PLANT

1541. SHRI DHARAM CHAND JAIN: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that iron ore for Bhilai Steel Plants is being brought from Barbil|Banspani(Orissa);

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and what is the utility of the mines of the Bhilai Steel Plant; and

(c) whether all the Blast. Furnaces of the Plant are working and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) and (b) The captive mines of Bhilai Steel Plant had so far been meeting the requirements of iron ore for the plant. However, recently the plant had to obtain about 88,000 tonnes of iron ore from Barbil|Banspani mines to meet temporary shortage of ore caused by fall in production of ore in captive mines due to

exodus of labour, non-availability of certain equipment.

(c) One of the Blast furnaces was under relining from 16th April to 14th August, 1970. However, since 15th August, 1970 all the furnaces are in operation.

STEEL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF COURT BUILDINGS IN BANGALORE

1542! SHRI MULKA GOVINDA REDDY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Executive Engineer, Mysore Government P.W.D., Bangalore has written to the Central Government for allotment of Steel for construction of court buildings in Bangalore;

(b) if so, for what quantity and what steps are being taken by Government in this regard; and

(c) how much steel has been supplied by the Hindustan Steel Ltd.?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI): (a) to (c) The exact position in regard to the requirements of the P.W.D. Mysore is being ascertained, and the information will be placed on the Table of the House as soon as it is obtained,^

STEEL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS IN BANGALORE

1543. SHRI MULKA GOVINDA REDDY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY ENGINEERING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Estate Officer, University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore has written to the Central Government for allotment of steel for construction of University buildings in Bangalore;

(b) if so, for what quantity;

(c) whether Government have issued orders to Hindustan Steel