

(c) the places in each State where the cement projects will be set up and what would be the capacity of each one of them;

(d) whether a cement project would be set up in U.P. also; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED): (a) Yes, Madam. The Corporation has so far submitted for Government's approval 8 project reports for establishment of cement plants in the country.

(b) and (c) The particulars of the project reports are as follows :

Location	Annual capacity (Tonnes)	Estimates of capital cost (in lakhs of Rs.)	Employment potential
1	2	3	4
1. Mandhar (M.P.) .	200,000 (Portland cement)	446	500
2. Kurkunta (Mysore) .	do	445	500
3. Tandur (A.P.) .	do	499	500
4. Neemuch (M.P.) .	do	491	500
5. Jagdalpur (M.P.) .	do	537.50	500
6. Bokajan (Assam). .	do	832.50	500
7. Paonta (H.P.) .	do	593.20	500
8. Mehrauli (Delhi) .	50,000 (Masonry cement)	55.69	100

It has been decided to set up cement plants at Maudhar and Kurkunta at (1) and (2) above, the project reports for which are under consideration. The other project Reports are under consideration.

(d) and (e) The question of setting up a plant in U.P. depends on the results of the prospecting work already undertaken by the Corporation to determine the availability of the cement-grade limestone deposits at Maudarsu near Dehra Dun.

खुर्जा-मेरठ ट्रेन सेवाएं

907. श्री मानसिंह वर्मा : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि खुर्जा-मेरठ ब्रांच लाइन पर जो ट्रेन चलती है उसमें प्रथम श्रेणी का डिब्बा नियमित रूप से नहीं लगाया जाता है, यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि प्रातः 4 बज कर 10 मिनट पर जब इस गाड़ी का खुर्जा जंक्शन से प्रस्थान होता है उस समय गाड़ी के किसी शोचालय में पानी नहीं होता है और लाइट और पंखे भी बन्द होते हैं; और यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

†[KHURJA MEERUT TRAIN SERVICES

907. SHRI MAN SINGH VARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the 1st Class coach is not regularly attached to the train running on the Khurja-Meerut branch line; if so, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that when the train departs from Khurja Junction at 4-10 A.M., no water is available in

†[] English translation.

any of the lavatories of the train and the lights and fans too are off and if so, the reasons therefor?]

रेल मंत्री (श्री सी० एम० पुनाचा) : (क) अधिक संख्या में सवारी डिब्बों के खराब हो जाने के कारण, खुरजा-मेरठ की गाड़ियों में पहले और दूसरे दर्ज का मिला-जुला डिब्बा नियमित रूप से नहीं लगाया जा रहा है। कुल मिला कर पहले और दूसरे दर्जे के मिले-जुले डिब्बों की कमी को देखते हुए खुरजा-मेरठ की गाड़ियों में पहले और तीसरे दर्जे के मिले-जुले डिब्बे चलाने के लिए कार्रवाई की गयी है कि इन गाड़ियों में नियमित रूप से ऊंचे दर्जे के स्थान की व्यवस्था की जा सके।

(ख) जी नहीं।

[THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA) : (a) Due to high incidence of sickness the composite first-cum-second class coach scheduled to run by Khurja-Meerut trains has not been running regularly. In view of the overall shortage of first-cum-second class coaches, action has been taken to provide first-cum-third composite coaches by Khurja-Meerut trains in order to provide upper class accommodation regularly.

(b) No.]

TARIFF COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

908. SHRI N. R. MUNISWAMY : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the reason for the inordinate delay in the examination of the recommendations of the Tariff Commission Review Committee; and

(b) by what time the recommendations would be given effect to ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) and (b) The report of the Tariff Commission Review Committee contains several recommendations which directly affect the working of a wide range of industries. In a matter of such importance, decisions

would have to be taken at a high level after careful consideration and after consulting the various Ministries and Departments concerned. This consideration is in the final stages and it is expected that the decisions will be announced in the near future, and implemented soon thereafter.

TEA AND IRON ORE EXPORT

909. SHRI N. R. MUNISWAMY : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any survey has been made to find out potential markets to other countries apart from Japan and U.K. who are the traditional bulk importer of iron ore and tea so as to capture the market for India's bulk exports;

(b) if so, the result of the survey conducted;

(c) the steps taken to give effect to the proposals; and

(d) if no steps have been taken, what are the reasons for the delay?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI) : (a) So far as tea is concerned, a survey has been conducted in Italy and Netherlands. The information collected through surveys conducted by other agencies in Australia is also available to the Tea Board. Besides these surveys, a trade delegation which visited some of the countries of Middle East and North Africa surveyed the market conditions for Indian tea in these countries.

No surveys as such have been conducted to explore possibilities of iron ore exports, but the MMTC keeps itself informed of market conditions in various countries through their regional offices abroad, and by sending sales teams to potential markets.

(b) and (c) The tea surveys and the visits of the tea delegation mentioned above helped in a better understanding of tea consumption patterns and the market conditions in the countries concerned. Based on their findings, suitable plans for the promotion of Indian tea in these regions have been formulated for implementation through the Tea Board's offices at Brussels, Cairo and Sydney.

(d) Does not arise.

[†] English translation.