

PRODUCTION OF RAILWAY WAGONS

374. **SHRI T. V. ANANDAN :**
CHAUDHARY A. MOHAMMAD :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that wagon builders in the private sector on whom the Indian Railways placed their demands have not fulfilled even one-third of the indented quantity and thus created a bottleneck in Railway transportation;

(b) if so, the names of these builders along with the number of wagons indented and the number of wagons manufactured by them; and

(c) what are the terms of agreement and how much money was advanced to them upto the 30th September, 1968?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) There has been a shortfall in supply of wagons from the wagon builders in the private sector. Against total orders of 26,895 in terms of four-wheelers available on 1-4-1967, the production during 1967-68 was 13956. During the first nine months of 1968-69, the production has been 9,871 in terms of four-wheeler units against an order book of 26,439 as on 1-4-1968.

This has affected to some extent the clearance of outstanding demands of traffic.

(b) Please see statement 'A', attached. [See Appendix LXVII, Annexure No. 23].

(c) A specimen copy of the contract against 1968-69 programme is attached at Annexure 'Q'. [See Appendix LXVII, Annexure No. 24].

The amount advanced against wagon contract outstanding on 30-9-1968 is Rs. 631.27 lakhs.

IMPORT AND PRODUCTION OF RUBBER

375. **SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHARAN :**
 Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity of rubber imported each year during the past five years and the output of rubber in the country during the said period;

(b) what is the quantity of rubber expected to be produced during the years 1968-69 and 1969-70; and

(c) the quantity of rubber that will be imported during the years 1968-69 and 1969-70?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK) : (a) to (c) The required information is furnished below :

(Quantity in Tonnes)

Year	Imports (Natural and Synthetic rubber)	Production
1963-64	35,087	45,562
1964-65	18,318	57,249
1965-66	19,092	65,271
1966-67	29,150	77,176
1967-68	12,678	84,410
1968-69 (Estimated)	22,000	97,000
1969-70 (Estimated)	Not yet decided.	1,11,000

INDUSTRIES IN TUMKUR DISTRICT OF MYSORE

376. **SHRI MULKA GOVINDA REDDY :** Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the late Prime Minister Shri Jawahar Lal Nehru had promised assistance to the new industries to be started in Tumkur District in Mysore State;

(b) if so, whether the Government of India have taken any steps to implement this assurance by the late Prime Minister; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.