

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAM NATH): (a) and (b) Yes. The Railways have instructions to replace the hand trolleys fitted with iron-wheels by trollies fitted with rubber tyres and railways are progressively completing the replacement. When the rubber tyres are worn out, suitable action for replacing them is also taken by the Railways, though, at times, there is some difficulty in procuring adequate stocks from manufacturers.]

COLLISION AT SAGAUJI STATION OF N.E. RAILWAY

J SHRI D. THENGARI :
SHRI RAM SINGH :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that collision between a goods train and an engine of an up goods special took place at the Sagauli station on the Narkatiaganj—Muzaffarpur section of the North Eastern Railway on the 14th November, 1965 ;

•(b) if so, the reasons of the accident and the number of the casualties as a result thereof; and

(c) whether any enquiry into the accident has been instituted ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS : (SHRI SHAM NATH) : (a) Yes.

(b) The cause of the accident is under investigation.

Two railway employees were killed and another sustained minor injuries.

(c) Yes.

SUITING up or MACHINE-TOOL FACTORIES IN RAJASTHAN AND GUJARAT

422. SHRI M. C. SHAH : Will "the" Minister of INDUSTRY AND SUPPLY be pleased to state whether Government have since taken any decision

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to set up two machine-tool factories in public sector one in Rajasthan and the other in Gujarat ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND SUPPLY (SHRIBIBUDHENDRA MISRA): It has been decided to set up two new machine tool factories in the public sector-one for the manufacture of grinding machines at Ajmer in Rajasthan and the other for the manufacture of medium heavy machine tools such as lathes, boring and milling machines at Bhavnagar in Gujarat State.

INDUSTRIES FACING DIFFICULTY DUE TO NON-AVAILABILITY OF RAW MATERIALS

J SHRI M. C. SHAH :
423 [SHRI RAM SINGH :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have assessed the extent to which the established industries in India are suffering for want of essential raw materials which have to be imported and to what extent they are unable to utilise their full installed capacity ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and what steps Government propose to take to tackle the situation ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND SUPPLY (SHRI BIBUDHENDRA MISRA) : (a) and (b) Due to restrictions on import of raw materials arising out of shortage of foreign exchange. Several industries are unable to utilise their full installed capacity. The extent of under-utilisation varies from industry to industry.

The question of import substitution in respect of raw materials, components and capital equipment is actively engaging the attention of Government. Several measures to stimulate and promote such substitution have already been taken. It is also proposed to develop ancillary industries with a view *inter-alia* to manufacture items of equipment which are being imported.