

†[THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARAGATHAM CHANDRASEKHAR): (a) The figures for 1st January, 1962 for N.E.F.A. were not available when the annual report for 1962-63 was prepared and so the two figures are not strictly comparable.

(b) Does not arise in view of what is just stated.]

EXPORT OF LATHE MACHINES

*109. SHRI PANNALAL SARAOGI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to export lathe machines; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the programme in this respect?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) and (b) The Hindustan Machine Tools Ltd., Bangalore have started exporting lathe machines to foreign countries. So far 3 lathes and 22 Milling machines have been exported, earning in all a foreign exchange of Rs. 8,85,180. One lathe has been exported to each of the countries West Germany, Switzerland and Nepal. Besides this, orders for the export of 9 lathes and 1 milling machine have been booked.

HEAVY ELECTRICALS PLANT AT BHOPAL

*110. SHRI BAIRAGI DWIBEDY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state the reason for the utilisation of only 10 per cent of the capacity of the Heavy Electricals Plant at Bhopal?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES (SHRI P. C. SETHI): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

†[] English translation.

STATEMENT

The capacity of the Heavy Electricals Plant, Bhopal, in its present stage of development, including construction and equipping, is for achieving an annual output of Rs. 12.5 crores; as against this, the factory registered an output of Rs. 3.3 crores, including works in progress, during 1962-63, covering the manufacture of transformers, switchgear, control gear, capacitors and traction equipment. With the completion of the construction and equipping of the main Factory Blocks I and II for the manufacture of turbines, generators and industrial motors and the progressive development of production techniques and skills of the workers with a view to reach optimum levels of production in each line of manufacture, it is proposed to utilise the capacity of the plant fully, as early as possible.

NEW COAL DEPOSITS IN NAGPUR AREA

*111 SHRI B. D. KHOBARAGADE: Will the Minister of MINES AND FUEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that new deposits of coal have been discovered in the area surrounding Nagpur;

(b) if so, whether any survey of this area has been made; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to exploit these coal deposits?

THE MINISTER OF MINES AND FUEL (SHRI K. D. MALAVIYA): (a) No, Sir. However there are coalfields at Kamptee, Umrer and Bokhara, near Nagpur.

(b) Yes, Sir. The above coalfields are being investigated.

(c) The National Coal Development Corporation has been entrusted with the exploitation of Kamptee and Umrer coal-fields.

REPATRIATION OF BEGGARS FROM STATES

*112. SHRI A. D. MANI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request has been made by the various State