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STEEL PLANTS AT GOA AND VISHAKHA PATNAM

274. SHRI SURJIT SINGH ATWAL: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to set up two Steel Plants with a capacity of 30—50 lakh tons at Vishakhapatnam and Goa; and

(b) if so, by what time the construction will start?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES (SHRI C. SUB-RAMANIAM): (a) and (b) The question of setting up of a steel plant in the Bailadilla-Vishakhapatnam or Goa Hospet regions is being studied in the Steering Group which has been set up to formulate the Fourth Five Plan for iron and steel. It is expected that the recommendations of the Steering Group would be available by the end of 1963. It is too early to indicate capacity, location, date for commencement of construction, etc. at this stage.

275. [Transferred to the 18th March, 1963.]

DECISION REGARDING FUTURE SET-UP OF DELHI.

276. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer given to Starred Question No. 340 in the Rajya Sabha on the 22nd November, 1962, and state:

(a) whether Government have since taken any decision regarding the future set up of Delhi; and

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

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI LAL BAHADUR): (a) The matter is still under consideration, (b) Does not arise.

SCHEME TO INTRODUCE FREE AND COMPULSORY PRIMARY EDUCATION

277. SHRI SUNDARMANI PATEL: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state which of the State Governments have proposed or are proposing to introduce free and compulsory Primary Education Scheme during the Third Plan Period?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (DR. K. L. SHRIMALI): A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix XLII, Annexure No-27.]

MACHINE TOOL FACTORY

278. SHRI SUNDARMANI PATEL: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to establish a machine tool factory in India in collaboration with Czechoslovakia and if so, on what terms?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES (SHRI C. SUB-RAMANIAM): A Heavy Machine Tools Plant is being set up at Ranchi by utilising a portion of the Credit of Rs. 23.1 crores offered by the Government of Czechoslovakia on the 24th November, 1959. This plant is being designed to produce every year 10,000 tons of diverse types of machine tools in sizes and types different from those which have so far been produced or undertaken by any other agency in India. The Detailed Project Report of the plant has been received and is under scrutiny.

DEMAND AND ALLOTMENT OF CEMENT

279. SHRI SUNDARMANI PATEL: Will the Minister of STEEL AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state the