

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 121 cars were released for sale.

(c) The maximum price fetched for a car was Rs. 75,000. The minimum price was Rs. 1,781. It is difficult to compare the prices fetched in tenders with the prices of new cars as their import is now totally banned except import by diplomatic and other foreign technical persons etc. under special conditions.

Export of Iron Ore

377. Maharajkumar Vijaya Ananda: Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state the quantity of iron ore exported from India during the period January to July, 1964?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): Exports of Iron Ore from India during 1964 are as follows:

India (Jan-July, 1964) (Excluding Goa)	25.78 lac metric tonnes.
Goa (Jan-June, 1964)	32.60 " " "
	58.38

Khetri Copper Project

- 378.** { **Maharajkumar Vijaya Ananda:**
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:
Shri P. K. Deo:
Shri Narasimha Reddy:
Shri Himatsingka:
Shri Karni Singhji:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
Shri P. Venkatasubbalah:

Will the Minister of Steel and Mines be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 174 on the 5th June, 1964 and state:

(a) the latest position of the Khetri Copper Project;

(b) the total outlay for this project; and

(c) when the project is likely to be implemented?

The Minister of Steel and Mines (Shri N. Sanjiva Reddy): (a) One of the principal items of work which is presently in progress at the Project site is the sinking of the shaft through departmental agency under the technical direction of the Consultants of the project. The excavations for the shaft collars have been completed and the production shaft has been sunk to a depth of about 17 metres and the service shaft to about 8.5 metres. Concrete lining has been done in the production shaft over 16.5 metres below the foundation slab level, and for 8 metres in the service shaft. The headframe for the production shaft has been concreted to a height of 17 metres above the foundation. Some shaft sinking equipment has to be imported. As soon as this has been procured and erected at the site, it is expected that shaft sinking work would proceed faster. Work on construction of a portion of the township is also in progress. 62 units of various types of quarters were completed in December, 1963. Construction of another 252 quarters has progressed upto about 70 per cent and the work is expected to be completed by November, 1964. A bungalow for the General Manager as well as 46 quarters of higher types are also under construction and are expected to be ready by the end of 1964. Other items of work which are in progress are (i) arrangements for water supply, for which one tubewell pump station and one pump house have already been completed for meeting the immediate requirements of constructional water supply, (ii) construction of approach road to plant area including construction of bridges and culverts, (iii) construction of service reservoir for township and (iv) arrangements for power supply.

It has also been decided to instal a flash type smelter instead of a reverberatory type as originally envisaged in the project report so as to facilitate the recovery of by-products and improve the economics of the project. In

this connection, the Corporation deputed a team of technical officers to Helsinki (Finland) for preliminary discussions with M/s. Outokumpu, a Finish firm, who have developed the technique of flash type smelting. Detailed offer regarding terms of consultancy and the cost of flash smelter and other connected equipment is awaited. It is also proposed to increase the scope of the project by adding a pyrite-pyrrhotite roaster, a sulphuric acid plant. Action has accordingly been initiated for preparation of a revised project report for the enlarged scheme.

(b) and (c). The revised capital outlay and the revised time-schedule for the project are being worked out.

**Industrial Rehabilitation Corporation,
Calcutta**

379. { Shri Bade:
Shri Yashpal Singh:

Will the Minister of Industry and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have got shares in the Industrial Rehabilitation Corporation Calcutta; and

(b) whether it is a fact that the Dandakaranya Administration has given monopoly to this Corporation for the transport of all the materials and goods?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Industry and Supply (Shri Bibudhendra Misra): (a) The entire capital of the Rehabilitation Industries Corporation Ltd., of India has been subscribed by the Government of India.

(b) No, Sir.

Cement Factory in Kangra

380. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Industry and Supply be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 224 on the 14th February, 1964 and state:

(a) when the industrial license was given to the private party for the setting up of a cement factory at Samloti in Kangra district and the name of the party;

(b) for how long the licence lasts and within what time limit the party is supposed to set up the factory; and

(c) the reasons for delay in setting up of the factory?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Industry and Supply (Shri Bibudhendra Misra): (a) to (c). On 16th August, 1963, an Industrial Licence was granted to M/s. Surrendra (Overseas) Private Ltd. for setting up a cement factory at Samloti in Kangra District. The party having failed to take effective steps for the implementation of the scheme, surrendered the license which was then revoked on the 14th August, 1964.

**Techno-Economic Survey of Tea
Growing Areas**

381. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether the programme for the techno-economic survey of tea growing areas for 1964-65 has been finalised; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Commerce (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) The data in respect of the surveys already conducted by the Tea Board are still under compilation. No fresh Techno-Economic Survey during the current year is contemplated by the Board.

(b) Does not arise.

Delhi Railway Station

382. Shri Ram Harakh Yadav: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring about large scale extensions to the present Delhi Railway Station;