

exempted establishments are required to pay the interest at the same rate as declared by the Government for unexempted establishments.

(c) The company is exempted since 1.11.1952. The revised conditions of exemption have not been made applicable to them as yet. Nevertheless, the EPF authorities are reported to have taken up the matter with the Company.

Production of Zinc, Lead, Copper and Nickel

4230. SHRI SALEEM I. SHERVANI : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the new sources explored and tapped for mining zinc, lead, copper and nickel; and

(b) the production of these metals in the country based on Indian ore concentrates during the last 5 years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA) : (a) and (b). Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Installed Capacity of Non-Ferrous Alloys Semis

4231. SHRI SALEEM I. SHERVANI : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) the total unit-wise installed capacity of non-ferrous alloys Semis (brass sheets,

strips and coils) in the country and the location thereof;

(b) the number of letters of intent issued for this commodity during the last 5 years with capacity;

(c) the number of letters of intent that have materialised and the number of those which lapsed with their capacity during the last 5 years;

(d) the steps proposed to meet the increasing demand; and

(e) whether there is any scope of creation of further capacity to meet the gap between availability and demand ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA) : (a) A statement is given below.

(b) and (c). During the last 5 years, 19 letters of intent for a total capacity of 47,000 tonnes per annum (tpa) have been issued for copper and copper alloy sheets, strips and foils. Out of these, 6 letters of intent which account for a total capacity of 8,500 tpa have been converted into industrial licence; 12 letters of intent accounting for a total capacity of 35,500 tpa have lapsed. The remaining one letter of intent for a capacity of 3000 tpa is still valid.

(d) and (e). The existing installed capacity is expected to cover the requirements of the country.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the unit	Location	Installed Capacity (Tonnes per an.)
1	2	3	4
1.	M/s. Agarwal Metal Works Ltd.	Rewari	1800

1	2	3	4
2.	M/s. Bralco Metal Industries (P) Ltd. Bombay		4550
3.	M/s. Hindustan Copper Ltd	Ghatsila	9600
4.	M/s Hooseini Metal Rolling Mills (P) Ltd.	Bombay	220
5.	M/s. Indian Smelting and Refining Co. Ltd.	Bombay	3900
6.	M/s. J B. Metal Industries (P) Ltd.	Bombay	1500
7.	M/s. K M A. Ltd.	Bombay	6400
8.	M/s. Metal Rolling Works Ltd.	Bombay	30
9.	M/s. Metrowood and Engineering Works (P) Ltd.	Ahmedabad	150
10.	M/s Naranlala Metal Works Ltd	Navsari	880
11.	M/s. N M. Metal Industries Ltd.	Bombay	744
12.	M/s. Popular Metal Works and Rolling Mills Ltd.	Bombay	762
13.	M/s P.T.C. Sanghvi and Co., Poona	Poona	720
14.	M/s. Rashtriya Metal Industries Ltd.	Bombay	4000
15.	M/s. Shri Mahesh Metal Works Ltd.	Kishangarh Rajasthan	210
16.	M/s. Swastika Metal Works Ltd.	Jagadhri	1800
17.	M/s. Coventry Metals Pvt Ltd.	Jaipur	415
18.	M/s. Pratap Rajasthan Copper Foil and Laminates Ltd.	Jaipur	600
19.	M/s. Surendra Enterprises	Rewari	232
20.	M/s. Metal Extruders (P) Ltd.	Bombay	1000

39513 or
say 39500

Note : Brass is an alloy of copper and brass items are included in this installed capacity. Besides; 268 units in the small scale sector are also producing brass plates, sheets, strips and circles.

**Research by Rudrur Agricultural
Research Station, A.P.**

4232. SHRI G BHOOPATHY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the nature of research undertaken at Rudrur Agricultural Research Station in Nizamabad District of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the number of research personnel working in the station;

(c) the reasons for not upgrading the Status of the station; and

(d) the steps taken to improve the working of the station ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Based on a comprehensive research review, the State of Andhra Pradesh was classified into 7 different agro-climatic zones. The Rudrur Agricultural Research Station falls in the Northern Telangana Zone. The Andhra Pradesh Agricultural University had submitted to the Indian Council of Agricultural Research a proposal for strengthening of Regional Research Station, Jagtial and Sub-stations at Adilabad, Madhira and Rudrur. This project was approved by the Project Funding Committee of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research at an estimated cost of Rs. 99 lakhs for a period of 5 years. The Agricultural Research Station at Rudrur was strengthened under the National Agricultural Research Station (NARP) in 1980 to undertake the following research programmes :

- (1) Breeding and evaluation of sugarcane and rice varieties suitable for local conditions of the Northern Telangana zone.
- (2) Development of suitable rice and sugarcane based cropping systems for increased agricultural production.

(3) Development of double cropping system under rainfed condition in uplands

(b) Prior to the strengthening under the NARP there were one post of Associate Professor and 24 posts of Assistant Professors in existence. Two posts of Associate Professors and one post of Assistant Professor were provided as incremental scientific staff under NARP.

(c) and (d). The Agricultural Research Station, Rudrur is under the administrative control of Andhra Pradesh Agricultural University (APAU) and hence the question of upgradation of the status of the station and improvement in the working, primarily rests with APAU.

Development Schemes of Coconut

4233 SHRI H. N. NANJE GOWDA :
SHRI G. S. BASAVRAJU :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Union Government have taken up a number of schemes for the development of coconuts in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how far these schemes will boost the coconut output in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) and (b). The following schemes have been sanctioned for implementation by the Coconut Development Board :

1. Project for expansion of area under coconut.
2. Production of Quality Coconut Seedlings.
3. Establishment of Hybrid Seed Farms and Hybrid Pilot Testing Centres in Tamil Nadu.