

Fall in Production of Dakotas at HAL, Barrackpore

4407. SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware about the fact that the production of Hindustan Aeronautics Factory at Barrackpore had gone down from 48 Dakotas to 12 due to lack of orders; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken to ensure sufficient orders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI C. P. N. SINGH): (a) The Barrackpore Factory of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited is not engaged in the production of Dakota aircraft. It only overhauls this aircraft. On account of gradual phasing out from service, the overhaul task of this aircraft has come down from 47 numbers in 1965-66 to 15 numbers in 1979-80.

(b) Overhaul task of other aircrafts has been allocated to this factory. It is also proposed to transfer the overhaul of helicopters and some of their rotables to the Factory in 1981.

Foreign Collaboration Agreements

4408. SHRI NIREN GHOSH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) country-wise foreign collaboration agreements as at the end of 1957, 1970, 1976, 1977 and 1979;

(b) total number of joint ventures, country-wise on the basis of those agreements as at the end of 1957, 1970, 1976, 1977 and 1979; and

(c) country-wise technical, financial and both technical and financial agreements, separately as at the end of 1957, 1970, 1976, 1977 and 1979?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA): (a) and (c). A statement showing country-

wise break-up of the foreign collaboration approvals granted since the inception of Foreign Investment Board in 1969 to 1979 is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library See No. LT-1095/80]. Centralised information regarding the foreign collaboration approvals issued prior to 1969 is not available.

(b) There is always a time gap between the date of approval of foreign collaboration and the actual date of fructification of the project and information on this point is not centrally maintained in the Secretariat for Industrial Approvals in the Ministry of Industry.

Self Sufficiency in Industrial Wood

4409. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether we are self sufficient in our need of Industrial Wood; and

(b) if so the quantity we require for our news print, match-box, railway sleepers and house building purposes every year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI CHARANJIT CHANANA): (a) The country is not self-sufficient in respect of industrial wood.

(b) The estimated annual requirements are as under:—

Newsprint	. . .	2 2 lakh	tonne,
Match wood	. . .	5 35 lakh	Cu. Mt.
Railway sleepers	. . .	10 00 lakh	Cu. Mt.
House building purposes	. . .	25 00 lakh	cu. Mt.

Incentives provided to persons from Weaker Sections to set up Industrial Units

4410. SHRI KUSUMA KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the specific incentives provided for the persons from