

create necessary infrastructure for the early exploitation of vast deposits of copper recently explored during survey undertaken by Geological Survey of India ; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Union Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Registration of Another Union in Patna in the Name of N. E. Railway  
Majdoor Union Gorakhpur

5024. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the North Eastern Railway Majdoor Union, Central Office Rail Majdoor Bhavan, Alinagar, Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh, affiliated to the All India Trade Union Congress and All India Railwaymen's Federation is duly registered under the Trade Union Act in Uttar Pradesh ;

(b) whether another Union of the same name has been or is being registered in Patna (Bihar), by misleading the registration office ;

(c) whether the second registration of the same name is illegal ; and

(d) if replies to the above be in the affirmative, whether the second registration is being annulled ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R. K. KHADILKAR) (a) to (d) : Information is being collected.

Setting up of Production Council in Each Industry

5025. SHRI P. GANGADEB : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government are considering a proposal to set up a Production Council in each Industry where the

representatives of the workers and the Management would sit together, sort out the differences and create a new climate of development and self-reliance ; and

(b) if so, when the final decision in this regard is likely to be taken ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R.K. KHADILKAR) (a) and (b) : There is already a Scheme of Joint Management Council which has been in operation on a voluntary basis since 1958. These Councils consist of equal number of representatives of management and labour with the object of establishing cordial relations between them, building up understanding, increasing productivity, securing better welfare facilities for the workers and training the workers to understand and share the responsibilities of the management. The subject is also figuring in the current discussions with the workers and employers representatives.

Requirements of Non-Ferrous Metals

5026. SHRI S. A. MURUGANAN-THAM : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) the estimated total annual requirements of non-ferrous metals at present ;

(b) how much of these requirements is now being met by indigenous production ; and

(c) the value of imports of non-ferrous metals ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF THE STEEL MINES (SHRI SHAHNAWAZ KHAN) (a) and (b) : The current demand and indigenous production of various non-ferrous metals is estimated as under :-

Matal	Demand estimates	Production estimates
Aluminium	254,000 Tonnes	210,000 Tonnes
Copper	113,000 "	15,000 "
Zinc	129,000 "	30,000 "
Lead	88,600 "	2,000 "
Tin	7,500 "	—
Nickel	5,000 "	—