

other important and useful purposes by small industries?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) No, Sir. The allotment has been made after taking into account the minimum requirements for steel works maintenance and Railway sleeper manufacture.

(b) Does not arise as the allotment is based on the minimum requirements of the allottees. However, the quota for the State List (small scale) foundries has been raised from 120,000 tonnes to 218,000 tonnes in anticipation of increased production during 1963-64.

Corporation for Construction Work

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Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has been decided to form and function a Corporation for construction work;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the new Corporation will absorb the existing construction labour employed by plants of the Hindustan Steel Ltd.; and

(d) if so, the terms and conditions thereof?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Corporation is being formed to undertake a sizeable share of all new steel works construction. Its purpose is to supplement the available contract ability in the country, reduce construction costs and to conserve skills in the specialised fields of steel works construction.

(c) and (d). The new company will undertake construction at different sites. It might, therefore, be difficult

to carry existing construction labour with it. Efforts will, however, be made to use existing labour in the best manner possible.

Heavy Machine Building Project

378. **Shri Umanath:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Heavy Machine Building Project being erected under the Heavy Engineering Corporation Ltd., at Ranchi, would experience lack of ready designs, technological documents for undertaking manufacture of diverse items of Heavy Machinery Equipment as its main difficulty; and

(b) if so, the advance steps contemplated to resolve these difficulties?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) and (b). No difficulty is experienced on this account. Realising the need for design and technological documentation for the items to be produced in the Heavy Machine Building Plant, a list of 49 specific items has so far been drawn up in consultation with Hindustan Steel Ltd. and given to M/s. Prommshex to t, Moscow for preparation and supply of the necessary documentation. Based on future requirements, design and technological documentation for additional items will be procured from USSR as and when necessary. The Project has a full-fledged design bureau attached to it. This will provide facilities for modification and preparation of detailed designs and specifications.

Export Aid to Small Industries

379. **Shri Umanath:** Will the Minister of International Trade be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Trading Corporation has finalised a scheme called the 'Export Aid to Small Industries';

(b) if so, the object of the scheme; and

(c) the progress made so far?

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