

tion in 1965 was as a result of unauthorised expansions by some original fabricators; and

(c) the reasons for not realising the continuing problem of shortage of steel sheets while undertaking assessment during 1963-64 and realising it only after undertaking another assessment in 1965?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) : (a) to (c). While available steel sheets have to be allocated on the basis of fabricating capacity of the units, the need for revising the capacities arose as a result of increased requirements of barrels. Despite the shortage of steel sheets, there was a felt need for optimising production by fuller utilization of the installed capacity. It was also considered necessary to assess the installed capacities with a view to securing equitable distribution of raw materials. The capacities inspected during 1965, observed to be higher, were not considered further by the Government for acceptance and in view of this, the position in regard to the expansion of the units concerned has not been examined.

Coal wagons

9904. SHRI SANJI RUPJI:
SHRI KANWAR LAL
GUPTA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of coal wagons despatched from various collieries to stations falling on the Central Railway in Haryana during the last three months ;

(b) whether it is a fact that due to the non-availability of wagons for the last three months, some towns on Delhi-Mathura section are facing acute shortage of soft coke ;

(c) if so, the reasons therefore ; and

(d) the steps which Government propose to take to remove this difficulty ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA) : (a) 1452 wagons of coal were delivered at these stations during February, March and April 1968.

(b) No report has come to the notice of the Railways.

(c) and (d). Do not arise.

कीमती पत्थरों की बरामदगी

9905. श्री श्री० प्र० त्यागी : क्या इस्पात, खान तथा धातु मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि भारत में प्रति वर्ष औसतन कितनी मात्रा में हीरा तथा पन्ना आदि कीमती पत्थर खानों से निकाले जाते हैं वर्ष 1960, वर्ष से 1967 तक उनके उत्पादन के क्या आंकड़े हैं ?

इस्पात, खान, तथा धातु मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री प्र० चं० सेठी) : अपेक्षित सूचना देने वाला विवरण सभा पटल पर रखा गया है। [युक्तकाल में रखा गया। देखिये संख्या LT-1215/68]

भारत-रूस व्यापार

9906. श्री श्री० प्र० त्यागी : क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि वस्तु विनिमय प्रणाली पर रूस द्वारा सप्लाई की गई वस्तुओं के मूल्य यूरोपीय देशों द्वारा दिये गये मूल्यों की तुलना में बहुत अधिक हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) क्या सरकार ने रूसी सरकार को यह बात बताई है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या परिणाम निकले हैं ?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री मोहम्मद शफी कुरेशी) : (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) से (घ). प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

New Items of Exports

9907. SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the new items which Government