

during 1986 over the rate in 1984 and an increase of .021 per cent as compared to that in 1985.

The compensation is paid by the managements as provided under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923. Information in this regard is not maintained.

The major causes for rise in coal mines accidents are fall of roof, fall of persons, fall of objects etc. The Mines Act, 1952 and rules and regulations framed thereunder contain adequate provisions for the safety of workers employed in the mines. These provisions are required to be complied with by mines management. The Director General of Mines Safety, Dhanbad and his officers enforce the statutory provisions in respect of mines safety. The Director General of Mines Safety also issues guidelines in the form of circulars to mines management from time to time for adopting safety measures. Mines are periodically inspected by the officers of the Directorate General of Mines Safety.

Sick textile mills in Bihar

1590. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of sick textile mills in Bihar receiving financial assistance from the Central Government; and

(b) what are the details regarding help to be extended by the Central Government to the State Government for making these mills economically viable?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Government do not provide financial assistance to sick textile mills.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Coaches for wildlife sanctuaries

1591. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce coaches in wildlife sanctuaries in order to increase tourism in all the States;

(b) if so, the sanctuaries selected in each State and the extent of assistance likely to be given by Government to such States; and

(c) what are the names of sanctuaries selected in Bihar for the said purpose?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir,

(b) Such sanctuaries are selected on the basis of recommendations received from various States. The extent of assistance depends upon factors like the overall potentiality of each sanctuary, the facilities already available, probable requirements and the availability of funds etc. No allocation for such assistance is made on State-wise basis, but depends on merit in each case based on the factors as above. During the current plan period, however, funds have so far been released for the purchase of mini buses/jeeps/elephants for use in Wildlife Sanctuaries at Simlipal, Corbett, Dudhwa, Chilha, Kaziranga, Manas, Alwar, Ranthambor, Bharatpur, Madumalai, Sasangir, Kanha and Shivpuri.

(c) Funds were released for the purchase of trained elephants for use in Betla National Park and for mini buses for Hazari Bagh National Park in Bihar during 1981.

Report on fire in Ghana Bird Sanctuary

1592. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the report of inquiry Committee instituted by the State Government of Rajasthan to probe into the fire which broke out on 15th October, 1986 in the Keoladeo Ghana National Park has since been completed and if so, what are the findings thereof and the action taken by Central Government thereon; and

(b) if not, by when the report is likely to be received by Government?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BHAJAN LAL):

(a) The report on the inquiry instituted by the Rajasthan Government to probe into the fire on 13th October, 1986 at the Keoladeo Ghana National Park has not as yet been received by the Central Government.

(b) It would not be possible to indicate a time limit within which the report will be received.

नए साम्प्रदायिक दलों का उदय

1593. श्री सत्यपाल मलिक : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने देश के साम्प्रदायिक रूप से संवेदनशील शहरों में नए साम्प्रदायिक दलों के उदय होने के संबंध में कोई जानकारी एकत्र की है; और

(ख) इस नई प्रवृत्ति से निपटने के लिए क्या प्रशासनिक और राजनैतिक उपाय किए गए हैं ?

कामिक लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. चिदम्बरम) :

(क) जी नहीं, श्रीमन् ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Establishment of Desert National Parks etc.

1594. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to formulate a scheme for the establishment of 'Desert National Parks' 'Island Sanctuaries' and 'Alpine Pine Conservatories'; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BHAJAN LAL):

(a) and (b) Establishment of national parks and sanctuaries is done by the State Governments concerned. The Cen-

tral Government has encouraged the establishment of National Parks and wildlife sanctuaries in the desert, on islands and in Alpine areas which are of ecological faunal and floral significance, for which financial assistance is provided under two centrally sponsored schemes to assist national parks and wildlife sanctuaries.

Centaur Hotel, Bombay

1595. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Centaur Hotel at Juhu in Bombay has commenced its operation;

(b) if so, how many rooms have been furnished so far and what is the room occupancy rate of this Hotel since its operation;

(c) whether it is a fact that rates of cold drinks, mineral water and soda water are exorbitant in this Hotel as compared to those prevailing in other Five-Star hotels of Bombay; and

(d) if so, what steps Government are contemplating to reduce the rates of these items and bring them at par with other Five-Star hotels operating in Bombay?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir. The hotel commenced operation on 22-8-1986.

(b) The hotel is planned to have a total of 367 lettable units out of which 200 rooms have been commissioned. Average occupancy since commencement of operations has been 108 per cent.

(c) No, Sir. The rates charged for cold drinks, mineral water and soda water in this hotel are prevalent in some other Five Star hotels of Bombay also.

(d) Does not arise.