

**Recall of the Indian Ambassador
from Jeddah**

383. SHRIMATI SAROJ
KHAPARDE:
SHRI KHURSHED ALAM
KHAN:
SHRI JAGDISH JOSHI:
SHRI PIARE LALL KUREEL:
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SHRI IBRAHIM KALANIYA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that our Ambassador has been recalled from Jeddah before the completion of his term;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether any new Ambassador has been posted in this place?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE): (a) and (b) Shri M. A. Quraishi was not appointed as Ambassador of India in Saudi Arabia for any fixed term.

(c) New Ambassador will be posted shortly.

**Setting up of a Labour Cell in the
Ministry of Labour**

384. SHRI S. W. DHABE: Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a cell for the rural labour in Ministry of Labour; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI LARANG SAI): (a) and (b) A nucleus of a cell dealing with the problems of labour in the Rural unorganised sector has been set up in the Ministry of Labour. Work of this cell is supervised by a Joint Secretary and a Director. The present staff strength

of the cell is as follows:—

Gazetted

(i) Assistant Director	1
(ii) Section Officer	1

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(iii) Investigator Grade-I	1
(iv) Investigator Grade-II	1
(v) Assistant	7
(vi) Computer	1
(vii) L. D. C.	1

Waiting List for Telephone Connections in Delhi

385. SHRI SHRIKANT VERMA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is number of persons on the waiting list for telephone connections in Delhi; and

(b) by when telephone connections are likely to be provided to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI NARHARI PRASAD SUKHDEO SAI): (a) The total number of persons on the waiting list as on 1st February, 1978 is 47094.

(b) Efforts are being made to provide telephone connections to these applicants as early as possible. Barring certain areas, where exchange capacities will not be available in time, it is hoped to meet the demands in majority of the cases by 1980. Steps are being taken to expedite instalation of new exchange capacities for those areas also.

**Exploitation of tribal miners by M/s
Hyderabad Asbestos & Cement
Limited**

396. SHRI KALYAN RAY: Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation, dated the 15th December, 1977 regarding exploitation of miners, who are mainly tribals, by the Chirituru Quartzite Mines and Roro Asbestos Mines of Messrs Hyderabad Asbestos and Cement Limited;