

not in existence will be known only after the complete results of the census of small scale industries become available.

(c) State Governments have been advised that units which were found to be not in existence may be deregistered so that these units do not get facilities intended for small scale units.

Coal Production in the Country

*625. SHRI MANORANJAN ROY : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that coal production target has been sealed down in 1974; and,

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (PROF. SIDDHESHVAR PRASAD) : (a) and (b) The target of coal production during 1974-75 earlier fixed at 90 million tonnes was subsequently raised to 95 million tonnes. A recent assessment of the production of coal during 1974-75 has shown that the output during the year may be about 88 million tonnes. Efforts are being made to achieve the earlier target of 90 million tonnes.

*626. [Transferred to the 17th December, 1974]

Assistant's Grade Examination

*627. SHRI LALBUAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that three chances are given to the candidates appearing for I.A.S. etc. Examination, conducted by the U.P.S.C;

(b) whether Government propose to give three chances to the candidates appearing for Assistant's Grade Examination conducted by the U.P.S.C; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS (SHRI OM MEHTA) : (a) Yes, Sir, In view of the increase in the upper age limit from 24 years to 26 years for taking the IAS. etc. Examination conducted by the UPSC for recruitment to the higher services and pending examination of the whole system of recruitment to these Services by a Committee appointed under the Union Public Service Commission, the number of chances available to candidates in the Examinations held in 1973 and 1974 was increased to three purely as a transitional measure.

(b) and (c) A decision regarding the number of chances to be allowed to candidates taking the Assistant's Grade Examination, as also other Examinations, will be taken after the recommendations of the Committee examining the question with reference to recruitment for higher non-technical Services are available.

Survey by the Institute of Mass Communication about Shri Jayaprakash Narayan's movement in Bihar

*628 SHRI RABI RAY : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Institute of Mass Communications conducted a survey in four major districts of Bihar about the people's attitude to Shri Jayaprakash Narayan's movement in Bihar.

(b) If so, when this survey was conducted and what was the questionnaire on which the survey was conducted; and

(c) what are the main findings of the report ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI I. K. GUJARAL) : (a) No, Sir, The Indian Institute of Mass Communications conducted a survey among 841 urban educated youth in the towns of Patna, Gaya, Monghyr and Muzaffarpur. The survey was intended to :

(i) investigate into the sources of information and channels of communication with youth;

(ii) analyse the attitudes to or opinion about the youth protest movement; and

(iii) study youth participation.

(b) The survey was conducted between June 19 and July 26, 1974. A copy of the questionnaire is placed on the Table of the House [See Appendix XC Annexure No. 79]

(c) The report is yet to be finalised.

*629. [Transferred to the 18th December, 1974]

Nationalised Coal Industry

*630. SHRI DHARAM CHAND JAIN. Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state the progress so far made with regard to the creation of an all India cadre covering officers, workers, mining and non-mining engineers in the nationalised coal mines?