

Influence of Multinational Corporations on Labour

691. SHRI BIPINPAL DAS : SHRI K. B. CHETTRI : SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN : DR. V. A. SEYID MUHAMMAD :

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have initiated a study regarding the effect and influence of multinational corporations on the industrial labour and labour activities and conditions of labour; and

(b) if so, what is the progress made in that regard and the conclusions and findings thereof, if any ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI BALGOVIND VERMA): (a) and (b) Proposals for such a study are being formulated.

C.B.I. raid on H.A.L. Unit in Lucknow

692. SHRI D.N. DWIVEDI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that C.B.I. has recently raided unit of the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited in Lucknow, and seized documents showing excess payments to some transport companies and suppliers to the Unit; and

(b) if so, what are the names of the parties involved in the irregular deals and whether Government have taken any action in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (DEFENCE PRODUCTION) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) C.B.I. have not raided HAL's Unit at Lucknow but during the course for certain investigations relating to contracts for the transportation of HAL stores, certain files have been collected by them from HAL, Lucknow.

(b) As the matter is still under investigation by the C.B.I., it will not be appropriate to disclose the names of the parties at this stage. Action, where necessary will be taken after the investigations are completed.

Stationing of Indian armed forces personnel with family in Nagaland

693. SHRI SCATO SWU : SHRI NABIN CHANDRA BURAGOHAIN :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state what are the reasons for not allowing Indian Armed Forces personnel to live with their families in Nagaland ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): The reasons for not allowing Armed Forces personnel to live with their families in Nagaland are—

(a) Since they have to live and operate in inaccessible areas, they would not be able to look after their families.

(b) Adequate facilities like married accommodation and hospitals for their families are not available.

Bauxite reserves

694. SHRIMATI SABITA BEHEN Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether India's biggest bauxite deposits have lately been located in Orissa;

(b) if so, what is the location of the deposits and the estimated extent of the reserves: and

(c) what steps are being taken for exploitation of these reserves on a commercial scale ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI SUKHDEV PRASAD): (a) and (b) Bauxite deposits of Orissa are mainly distributed in Koraput, Kalahandi, Bolangir and Sambalpur districts. The reserves so far confirmed by the Geological Survey of India are of the order of about 2.5 million tonnes of measured category, 12.0 million tonnes of indicated category and 5.9 million tonnes of inferred category. Further investigations including proving of reserves, are in progress on Pottangi and Pan-chpatmali deposits by the Geological Survey of India and the State Directorate of Mines respectively.

(c) The possibility of exploitation on Commercial basis can be examined only after a fuller picture is available.