

JAPANESE NAVAL PRESENCE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN

- *249. SHRI BRAHMANANDA PANDA :
SHRI J. S. TILAK :
SHRI GURUMUKH SINGH
MUSAFIR :
SHRI V. B. RAJU :
SHRI KRISHAN KANT :
SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the U. S. Defence Secretary, Mr. Malvin Laird's remarks about the possibility of naval presence of Japan in the Indian Ocean ; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have also noted the statement of the Japanese Foreign Office spokesman on the 30th of March 1972 who, commenting on the U. S. Defence Secretary's remarks, said that there was no plan at the moment for the Japanese Defence forces to be active in the Indian Ocean ; and further that it was neither possible nor desirable for them to do so. Government continue to adhere to their well-known policy of attaining a zone of peace in the Indian Ocean.

BONUS IN PRIVATE SECTOR COAL MINES

- *250. SHRI KALYAN ROY :
SHRI PRANAB KUMAR
MUKHERJEE :

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that none of the coal mines in the Private Sector has paid 8.33 per cent as Profit sharing bonus ;

(b) the names of the mines in Private Sector where 8 33 per cent Bonus has been paid in 1972 ;

(c) the total percentage of workers in private sector coal mines which have received this bonus ; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to compel the coal mine owners to pay the above amount of Profit sharing bonus ; and result thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R. K. KHADILKAR) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) A statement is placed on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) About 19 per cent.

(d) The matter continues to be pursued by the officers of the Central Industrial Relations Machinery.

STATEMENT

*The following coal-mines in the private sector have paid bonus
@ 8 33 per cent in the year 1972*

Name of the region

Name of the coal mines

1. Jabalpur (Madhya Pradesh)

1. Newton Chickh

2. North Chirimiri

3. North Jhagrakhand

4. West Jhagrakhand

5. South Jhagrakhand

6. Burhar No. 1

7. Burhar No. 3

8. Amlai

9. Rajnagar

10. Ramnagar

<i>Name of the region</i>	<i>Name of the coal mines</i>
2. Asansol (West Bengal)	1. Real Jambad 2. Moira 3. Samlamandarbouni 4. Mohanpur 5. Ramnagar 6. Damagoria 7. J. K. Nagar 8. North Ghusick
3. Dhanbad (Bihar)	1. Jamadoba (3 & 4 Pits) 2. Jamadoba (6 & 7 Pits) 3. Digwadiah 4. North Keshanpur 5. West Ramkanali 6. Malkera 7. Bhelatle 8. Sijua 9. Manki 10. West Bokaro 11. Central Saunda 12. Ranigara 13. New Selected Dhorl 14. Selected Kargali 15. Badjana 16. North Badjana 17. South Badjana

NOTE.—In a few collieries, like eight in Assam, the accounting year ends in March, 1972, so that they can pay bonus by 30th November, 1972.

IMPROVEMENT IN INDO-PAKISTAN RELATIONS

- *251. SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR :
SHRI KRISHAN KANT :
SHRI GURUMUKH SINGH
MUSAFIR :
SHRI BRAHMANANDA PANDA :
SHRI J. S. TILAK :
SHRI V. B. RAJU :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there has been some improvement in the Indo-Pak relations ; and

(b) if so, what are the main points which have contributed to the reduction in the tension ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH) :
(a) and (b) Under the Simla Agreement India and Pakistan have agreed to resolve differences by peaceful means through bilateral negotiations. Government are of the view that implementation of the provisions of this Agreement will lead to normalisation of relations between India and Pakistan.

INVESTMENT IN BOKARO STEEL PLANT

- *252. SHRI SUHRID MULLICK
CHAUDHURY :
SHRI SASANKASEKHAR SAN-
YAL :

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES