

which is distributed free to about 3000 organisations all over India.

(v) Provision for payment of travel grant to scientists, who on their selection for appointment in research institutions in India, undertake it) serve those institutions for a minimum period of three years

(vi) Stoppage of holding E. C. F. M. G. (Educational Council for Foreign Medical Graduates) Examination in India.

(vii) Increasing the emoluments of medical officers in the Central Health Service, in Central institutions and in the State hospitals.

(viii) Granting special concessions and financial incentives to doctors working in the rural areas.

(ix) Enhancing the age of retirement of doctor and specialists and/or re-employing them after retirement.

MINERAL RESOURCES IN WEST BENGAL

445. SHRI MONQRANJAN ROY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND METALS be pleased to start :

(a) whether any survey of potential mineral resources in the districts of Midnapur, Bankura and Purulia in West Bengal was made by the Geological Survey of India ;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any programme of exploration of these mineral resources during the Fourth Five Year Plan period;

(d) if so, what is that programme; and

(e) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, whether Government have any proposal to conduct such survey in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS (SHRI NITIRAJ SINGH CHAUDHARY) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Geological Survey of India is carrying out investigations for

potential mineral resources in the districts of Midnapur, Bankura and Purulia, West Bengal. The work is in progress.

(c) and (d) The Fourth Plan programme of Geological Survey of India includes the investigations for copper, lead, manganese and iron ores and ochres, clay, soapstone in Midnapur district, for copper, lead-zinc, tungsten and iron ores and china clay, limestone and vermiculite in Bankura district; and for copper, iron and manganese ores and ochre, mica, low grade limestone, clay and moulding sand* in Purulia district.

(e) Does not arise.

STEPS FOR PEACE IN INDO-CHINA

446. SHRI R. P. KHAITAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state the details of the various steps taken by the Government of India so far to explore possibilities to bring peace in Indo-China?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : Government of India are constantly in touch with all the parties concerned in the conflict in Indo-China with a view to assisting if possible in bringing about restoration of Peace.

REVISION OF RATE OF ROYALTY ON COAL

447. SHRI R. P. KHAITAN : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any decision has been taken by Government on the revision of rates of royalty on coal; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS (SHRI NITIRAJ SINGH CHAUDHARY) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

CHINESE RADAR STATION ON THE EVEREST

448 SHRI DAHYABHAI V. PATEL : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state whether it is a fact that China is building a radar