

**REPRESENTATION OF LIGHTERMEN  
EMPLOYED IN COCHIN PORT**

645. SHRI M. R. VENKATA-  
RAMAN:

SHRI K. P. SUBRAMANIA  
MENON:

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

(a) whether Government have  
recently received any representation  
from the lightermen employed in Cochin  
Port by various private boat owners for  
including them in the decasualisation  
scheme under the Dock Labour (Regu-  
lation and Employment) Scheme ; and .

(b) if so, the action taken by Gov-  
ernment in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND  
REHABILITATION (SHRI JAI-SUKHLAL  
HATHI) : (a) Yes.

(b) Under consideration.

**SUGAR PRICES IN U.P.**

646. DR. (MRS.) MANGLA-  
DEVI TALWAR : Will the Minister  
OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be  
pleased to state :

(a) whether the prices of sugar have gone  
down in Uttar Pradesh ; and

(b) if so, whether the Sugar Mill-owners  
have represented to Government for affording  
some relief in this connection ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE,  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND  
COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHEB  
SHINDE) : (a) The prices of sugar have come  
down all over the country.

(b) Yes, Madam.

**RESIGNATION OF ATTORNEY-GENERAL**

647. DR. (MRS.) MANGLADEVI  
TALWAR : Will the Minister of LAW  
be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of India  
have received a letter of resignation  
from the Attorney-General of India;

(b) if so, whether it has been  
accepted ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE  
MINISTRY OF LAW (SHRI MOHAMMAD  
YUNUS SALEEM) : (a) The Attorney-  
General in his letter of resignation dated the  
15th June, 1968 addressed to the President has  
given notice of three months and desired to be  
relieved of the office by the 15th September,  
1968.

(b) The matter is under consideration of  
the Government.

**BURNING OF A POST OFFICE**

648. DR. (MRS.) MANGLADEVI  
TALWAR : Will the Minister of COM-  
MUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Post Office in Subzi-  
mandi Market, Delhi was burnt completely on  
the 11th May, 1968;

(b) if so, the total loss suffered by  
Government; and

(c) what steps are being taken to recover  
this loss from the Fruit Merchants Union as  
the fire was allegedly due to their negligence ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY  
AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS  
(SHRI I. K. GUJ-RAL) : (a) Yes.

(b) There had been no loss of Gov-  
ernment cash and valuables. The cost of the  
furniture, etc. destroyed due to the fire has  
been estimated at Rs. 3,000.

(c) No action has been taken in this  
regard.

**UNEMPLOYMENT AMONGST ENGINEERS,  
DOCTORS, SCIENCE GRADUATES AND  
ARTS GRADUATES**

649. SARDAR RAM SINGH : Will  
the Minister of LABOUR AND REHA-  
BILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) the present unemployment posi-  
tion in the country with regard to the  
following categories :

(i) Engineers (both degree holders and  
diploma holders) ;

(ii) Doctors ;

(iii) Science Graduates;

(iv) Arts Graduates;

(b) what were the comparative  
figures for these categories during the  
last three years;