

DIRECT TELEPHONE SYSTEM BETWEEN NEW DELHI AND CUTTACK

*608. SHRI BANKA BEHARY DAS: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for introduction of direct dialling telephone system between New Delhi and Cuttack/Bhubaneswar; and

(b) if so, by when it will be implemented and which other State headquarters has been connected with New Delhi with this direct dialling system?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) By about the end of new 4th Five Year Plan. The following State Headquarters have been connected with New Delhi with direct dialling system:

- (1) Ahmedabad
- (2) Jaipur
- (3) Lucknow
- (4) Patna
- (5) Simla
- (6) Srinagar/Jammu.

CLOSURE OF IRON MINES

*609. SHRI CHAUDHARY A. MOHAMMED: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for the closure of the Tata Iron Ore Mines in Gurumahisani and Badampahar and recent retrenchment in Noamundi Mines :

(b) whether it is a fact that a large number of Iron Ore loaders on the Rail Heads of Noamundi, Barajmada and Gua are not getting benefit of the recommendations of Iron Ore Wage Board; and

(c) if so, what action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI JAISUKHLAL HATHI): (a) It has been reported that the closure of Gurumahisani and Badampahar mines was due to the fact that the required quality of iron ore had been exhausted in the mines and their working has become uneconomic. No retrenchment in Noamundi mines has been reported.

(b) About 350 iron loaders on the rail heads of Barajmada and Gua are not getting the benefit of the recommendations of the Iron Ore Wage Board.

(c) The Officers of the Industrial Relations Machinery are making efforts to get the recommendations implemented.

अजमेर और अलवर के लिये चीनी का कोटा

* 610. श्री राजनारायण : क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि केन्द्रीय शुगर डाइरेक्टर द्वारा किये गये अलाटमेंट के अनुसार 1 जुलाई, 1967 को विष्णु प्रताप शुगर फैक्टरी, राजाबाजार खड्डा को 42 वैन (मीटर गेज) चीनी के सप्लाई करने थे लेकिन चीनी पर से नियंत्रण हटाने की बात सुन कर उक्त फैक्टरी ने चीनी सप्लाई नहीं की;

(ख) यदि हां तो इस सम्बन्ध में अजमेर (राजस्थान) के जिला अधिकारियों ने केन्द्रीय शुगर डाइरेक्टर को जो शिकायत भेजी उस पर सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की गई; और

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि जुलाई मास का कोटा 15 अगस्त, 1967 तक अजमेर नहीं पहुंचा और यदि हां, तो उक्त शुगर फैक्टरी के विरुद्ध क्या कार्यवाही की गई ?

†[SUGAR QUOTA FOR AJMER AND ALWAR

*610. SHRI RAJNARAIN: Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Vishnu Pratap Sugar Factory, Raja Bazar,

† [] English translation.