

tership will that mean that his present work suffer?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Order, order.

(No reply.)

IRON ORE FOR ROURKELA STEEL PLANT

*351. SHRI M. VALIULLA (ON BEHALF OF MOULANA M. FARUQI): Will the Minister for NATURAL RESOURCES AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH be pleased to state whether the Indian Bureau of Mines has completed the work of detailed prospecting of iron ore for the Rourkela Steel Plant?

THE MINISTER FOR COMMERCE (SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR): Yes, Sir.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: May I know what has been the result of this detailed prospecting?

SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR: The result is that it has been found that the main type of ore is grey laminatic beamitite with its variants and massive ore showing iron content of as high as 66 to 67 per cent. occurs relatively in a lesser proportion. A reserve of 19.03 million tons of *in situ* iron ore of an average grade of 54.74 per cent. iron contents to a depth of 62 ft. from the surface has been proved in an area of 0.19 sq. miles. In the northern sector three types of iron ores have been recognised and the total estimated reserve of the three types of ores in this sector is about 34.5 million tons up to a maximum depth of 134 feet.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: But I want to know at how many places these prospecting is being continued and what is the total result of these prospecting? What is the estimate of the ore found at the Rourkela area?

SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR: Perhaps my hon. friend is so very near me that he cannot hear my answer. In the area which may constitute the quarries for the raw materials of the factory, they found grey laminatic beamitite with its variants and mas-

sive ore showing iron content of 66 to 67 per cent. A reserve of 19.03 million tons of *in situ* iron ore has been proved in an area of 0.19 sq. miles. In the northern sector three types of iron ores have been recognised and the total estimated reserve of the three types of ores in this sector is about 34.5 million tons up to a maximum depth of 134 feet. I hope my hon. friend has heard the answer now.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Sir, this answer makes me doubt whether the investigation covers the entire Rourkela area or only a particular area. I want to know the total estimate for the entire area.

SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR: Sir, I would require notice.

AMERICAN EXPERTS IN INDIA

*355. SHRI M. VALIULLA (ON BEHALF OF MOULANA M. FARUQI): Will the Minister for FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of American experts so far assigned to India under the Point Four Programme by the United States Technical Co-operation Mission for assisting and advising Indian heads of institutions or projects under the Five Year Plans; and

(b) how their services are now being utilised?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR FINANCE (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT): (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: May I know, Sir, whether the Government will be able to give the break-up of this assistance under the various forms, like equipment, cash etc. or will they give it as a whole, in its entirety?

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT: Sir, this relates to the number of American experts employed in the various projects. If the hon. Member wants information regarding the equipment etc. he may please table a separate question.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Are they still giving these experts or have they ceased coming?

SHRI B. R. BHAGAT: If the hon. Member only wants to know the total number of experts, I can say it is 249. But his question deals with all the experts so far assigned to India for assisting and advising Indian heads of institutions or projects throughout the country. So that information is being collected.

'BAL MANDIRS'

*356. SHRI M. VALIULLA (ON BEHALF OF MOULANA M. FARUQI): Will the Minister for EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any 'Bal Mandirs' have been or are proposed to be opened by the Central Social Welfare Board in Northern and Central India on the pattern of the one in Madras; and

(b) if so, how many and where?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (DR. K. L. SHRIMALI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Sir, are "Bal Mandirs" and "Bal Bhavans" one and the same, or are they different?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: The hon. Member has asked a specific question about Bal Mandirs and I am referring only to that particular institution.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: If I put "Bal Bhavan" in place of "Bal Mandir" in the question, will the hon. Minister be able to answer?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: Sir, the question, as I said is a specific one, namely, whether any "Bal Mandirs" have been or are proposed to be opened by the Central Social Welfare Board in Northern and Central India on the pattern of the one in Madras. And the answer is "No." I can only refer to that question.

SHRI R. U. AGNIBHOJ: What is the difference between a "Bal Mandir" and a "Bal Bhavan"?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: One is a "Mandir" and the other is a "Bhavan".

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Is any work going on in the Bal Bhavan here?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: To which Bal Bhavan is the hon. Member referring to?

SHRI M. VALIULLA: To the one at Delhi.

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: Yes, some work is going on.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The questions are over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

ISSUE OF BONUS SHARE CAPITAL

*350. SHRI LALCHAND HIRACHAND DOSHI: Will the Minister for FINANCE be pleased to state how many applications for issue of bonus share capital are still pending with Government.

THE MINISTER FOR REVENUE AND CIVIL EXPENDITURE (SHRI M. C. SHAH): Of the applications received upto 29th February 1956, twenty-five are still pending with Government.

बटेश्वर में खुदाई का काम

३३६. श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास : क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या बिहार में बटेश्वर पहाड़ी पर खुदाई का काम पूरा हो गया है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो वहां कौन कौन सी चीजें मिली हैं और किस काल की हैं ?

†[EXCAVATIONS AT BATESHWAR

339. SHRI KRISHNAKANT VYAS: Will the Minister for EDUCATION be pleased to state:

†English translation.