

Indianization of Posts in Foreign Firms.

*817. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Industry and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was any progress in the process of Indianization of higher posts in foreign firms in the country during 1964; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Industry and Supply (Shri Bibudhendra Misra): (a) and (b). The latest information available with the Government is for the year 1963. This has been published in a Press Note dated the 21st March, 1965.

Information for the year 1964 is being collected.

Taxis at Delhi and New Delhi stations

*819. **Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware of the difficulty, verging on impossibility, experienced by detrainning passengers at Delhi and New Delhi Stations in obtaining taxis for short distance journeys;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to make police arrangements for the purpose, as at Victoria Terminus, Bombay; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) Yes, Sir. We are aware of some difficulty experienced at Delhi and New Delhi stations in obtaining Taxis for short distance journeys.

(b) Police arrangements have been made, though they are not the same as at Victoria Terminus.

(c) The Police consider that the arrangements made now will deal adequately with the complaint.

Mineral Exploration during Fourth Plan.

*824. { **Shri Shree Narayan Das:**
Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri Kapoor Singh:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
Shri Kanakasabai:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:

Will the Minister of Steel and Mines be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Canadian Government have agreed to provide equipment for mineral exploration programmes during the Fourth Plan;

(b) if so, the precise nature of the assurance of aid given; and

(c) whether that Government have also agreed to train Indian technicians?

The Minister of Steel and Mines (Shri N. Sanjiva Reddy): (a) to (c). A proposal was sent to the Canadian Government for assistance in the form of Canadian Soft Loan of Rs. 4.77 crores to purchase equipment for the Geological Survey of India and the Indian Bureau of Mines required for mineral exploration during the Fourth Five Year Plan. Detailed lists of equipment were scrutinised by Canadian Experts with reference to our programmes for exploration. They have since drawn up an assessment report which broadly confirms that the equipment in question is necessary for implementing our programmes and recommends the desirability of training Indian technicians in the use of Canadian equipment and their reorientation in new techniques of exploration and drilling. Government of India have accepted the recommendations of the Canadian Experts. The decision of the Canadian Government on our proposal is awaited.