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Uniforms to Peons on Western Railway

9970. SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI NAV-INCHANDRA MEHTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railway Dress Regulations provided for supply of same type of uniforms to peons working in all offices;
- (b) whether unlike other offices, terrycot uniforms are being distributed to the peons working in the office of General Manager, Western Railway and to those working with divisional heads;
- (c) if so, the reasons for not distributing terrycot uniform to other people; \and
- (d) since when the peons of Storage Department, Western Railways are not being given the uniforms and the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI AJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In case of a small number of peons working in General Manager's office of Western Railway, who come in close contact with visiting dignitaries etc., terrycot uni-

forms were occasionally supplied. However, people working is Divisional headquarters have been supplied withe only cotton uniforms.

- (c) Railway Dress Regulation provide for the supply of only cotton uniforms for peons employed in offices.
- (d) There has been some delay in supply of uniforms to the peons of Stores Department of Western Railway for the years 1989 and 1990 due to failure of supply contracts. Action has been initiated for emergency purchase of cloth to ensure early supply of uniforms to these staff.

[English]

Production in Eastern Coalfields Through Contracts

9971. SHRI AJIT PANJA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state the production figures of the Eastern Coalfields Limited during 1988-89 and 1989-90 through their own workers and that of the contractors engaged in the Open Cast projects?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTEROF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) Opencast coal production and Overburden removal figures of the Eastern Coalfields Limited are given below the Statement.