

Mineral	Place of occurrence	Remarks
2. Iron Ores	Ettakkad, Kachcheri, Malapram, Maduvallur, Nilambur and other places in Kozhikode and Plaghat districts	Reserves of 17 million tonnes of iron ores with 32 to 38 per cent iron content have so far been estimated.
3. (a) Limestone (cement grade)	Pandaretu Chemmanthimalai Nettuvangai	Reserves estimated at 0.35 million tonnes.
(b) Limestone (shall variety)	Vembanad Lake	Probable reserves of 2 to 2.5 million tonnes have been estimated.

**Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:** May I know how Government propose to utilise these minerals which are found in Kerala State?

**The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam):** Just now the survey is going on. After that, it should be studied, and then we will be able to take a decision with regard to utilisation.

**Shri Warrior:** May I know how much potential has been found.

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** It has yet to be worked out. The survey is still going on.

**Shri Bade:** Is it a fact that Government is going to start gold mining near Kerala?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** I have already stated that the survey is going on, it is not yet completed; after that, if we come to the conclusion that economic exploitation is possible, then we will take a decision.

**Dr. M. S. Aney:** May I know whether the survey is confined only to Kerala or the whole of India?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** This question relates to Kerala, and I have given the position in regard to Kerala. In other areas also surveys are going on.

#### Strike by the Workers of H.E.L.

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\*794. { **Shri P. R. Chakraverti:**  
**Shri P. C. Borooah:**  
**Shri S. M. Banerjee:**  
**Shri A. N. Vidyalkar:**  
**Shri Indrajit Gupta:**  
**Shrimati Maimoona Sultan:**

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

(a) whether the workers of the Heavy Electricals Limited, Bhopal went on a strike on the 9th January 1964; and

(b) if so, their demands and how the dispute has been settled?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri P. C. Sethi):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Shri Bade:** There were some workers on hunger strike, and some intermediary was appointed to have a talk with the labourers and with the management. May I know what results you have obtained after that talk?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** There was individual hunger strike by some of the office-bearers of one of the unions there, and the Madhya Pradesh Government intervened and the hunger strike was given up.

**Shrimati Savitri Nigam:** May I know if there has been any strike in H.E.L. since 1962, and if so, how many man-days were lost?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** I am sorry this question is limited to the strike on 9th January.

**Shri Joachim Alva:** There are these five big, mighty factories which are

under Government control—Heavy Electricals, Heavy Machinery and the three mighty steel factories. Has Government got a uniform labour policy with regard to amenities, bonus etc., so as to keep them out of trouble?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** We do have labour policies, but, unfortunately, in spite of these policies, we are continuously having labour trouble in many of these factories?

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Is it a fact that in recent months particularly, the working of the Heavy Electricals at Bhopal has been plagued or bedevilled by bad labour-management relations and if so, has Government tried to have a comprehensive enquiry into this matter?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** As a matter of fact there is serious trouble just now in the Bhopal factory and I am going into the matter. Two or three trade unions are functioning there and each is competing with the other. One union has been recognised as representative according to the law. The other union is trying to fight that union and have the recognition for itself. For that purpose it is adopting all sorts of illegal methods, causing us serious concern. It has to be looked into.

**श्री बड़े :** व हंज की डिमाण्ड क्या थी ?

**अध्यक्ष महोदय :** ग्राडर, ग्राडर । माननीय सदस्य को सवाल पूछने के लिए किस ने बताया है !

**श्री बड़े :** अध्यक्ष महोदय, उन्होंने जवाब नहीं दिया है ।

**अध्यक्ष महोदय :** माननीय सदस्य को इस तरीके से सवाल नहीं पूछने चाहिए ।

## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

### Manufacture of Agricultural Implements

\*777. **Shri P. C. Borooah:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 681 on the 20th December, 1963, regarding manufacture of Agricultural Implements and state:

(a) whether negotiations with the Japanese firm for setting up the factory for manufacturing agricultural implements have since been finalised; and

(b) if so, the terms of the agreement?

**The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam):** (a) Not yet, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

### Stainless Steel Industry

\*778. **Shri Maheswar Naik:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under consideration of Government under which stainless steel industry will be permitted to import stainless steel on the strength of export of manganese ore and stainless steel scraps; and

(b) the extent to which this barter deal when effected will help meet the industrial requirements of stainless steel in the country as well as resuscitate manganese mining industry?

**The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposed import of 2000 tonnes of stainless steel sheets under barter arrangements should to a large extent meet the requirements of sheets