

The Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri K. D. Malaviya): Yes, Sir. One of the schemes enumerated under the arrangement is the manufacture of lubricating oil with their collaboration.

Rest Houses for Lamas from Ladakh

*1289. **Shri P. K. Deo:** Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether a rest house has been built in Delhi for the visiting Lamas from Ladakh;

(b) if so, at what cost and how many persons can be accommodated there;

(c) how many Lamas visit Delhi annually;

(d) whether similar facilities will be made available to visiting priests of other religions; and

(e) if so when?

The Minister for Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) to (e). A rest house with a library and reading room together with a hall for cultural activities has been built at a cost of Rs. 5.81 lakhs in Delhi for visitors from Ladakh and other outlying areas and can accommodate 84 persons. The rest house is not meant for exclusive use of Ladakhis or persons professing any particular religion.

We have no information about the number of Lamas visiting Delhi annually.

Shri P. K. Deo: Sir, part (c) of my question has not been answered.

Shri Humayun Kabir: It was completed and handed over to the society in the 19th of May, 1962.

Mr. Speaker: (d) is whether similar facilities will be made available to others.

Shri Humayun Kabir: I have replied to that, Sir the rest house is not meant for exclusive use of Ladakhies. So, it is already answered.

Shri P. K. Deo: Then why should it be called a hostel for Lamas?

Mr. Speaker: What is there in the name?

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: Is it a fact that during the last five years a large number of Ladaakhi Lamas have been seized by the Chinese and liquidated in concentration camps and elsewhere?

Shri Humayun Kabir: How does it arise out of the question on rest house?

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: This refers to Ladakhi Lamas.

Mr. Speaker: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Coal for Steel Plants

*1275. **Shri A. S. Saigal:** Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that last year due to the short supply of coal and slow movement by Railways the production of the Steel Plants was affected;

(b) if so, how the press note issued by the Ministry of Railways on the 8th April, 1962 said that coal requirements of Steel Plants had been met in full;

(c) whether it was due to some irregular co-ordination between the Ministry of Railways and the then Ministry of Steel, Mines and Fuel; and

(d) what action Government are taking to bring in more co-ordination?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Heavy Electrical Plant in Andhra Pradesh

*1276. **Shri Yallamanda Reddy:** Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 237 on the 24th November, 1961 and state