

be better rather than have a stop-gap reform at the top?

**Dr. K. L. Shrimali:** I have not been able to follow the question.

**Mr. Speaker:** It is only a suggestion for action.

**Shri Daji:** How many universities have up till now conveyed their opinion on the scheme? Is it a fact that most of the universities are not in favour of the scheme?

**Dr. K. L. Shrimali:** The University Grants Commission is just consulting the universities about it.

**Shrimati Sarojini B. Mohishi:** May I know whether the students are required to get first class or second class marks in all the subjects or in the aggregate?

**Dr. K. L. Shrimali:** I think in the M.A. and M.Sc. classes they have to take only one subject. It is a matter of detail and in the aggregate they have to get a certain percentage

#### Lime Stone

\*951. { **Shri Warior:**  
**Shri Vasudevan Nair:**

Will the Minister of **Mines and Fuel** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Bureau of Mines have prepared any major programmes for a nation-wise prospecting for deposits of 1st grade lime stone; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri Thimmaiah):** (a) 9 co-ordinated programme of investigation of flux grade lime stone deposits is being drawn up by the Geological Survey of India and the Indian Bureau of Mines.

(b) These have yet to be finalised.

**Shri Warior:** May I know whether Government have made any assessment of the consumption during the

Third Plan and fixed the target of production?

**Shri Thimmaiah:** The consumption during 1960 is about two million tons and our consumption during the Third Five Year Plan would be about 7 million tons. In order to achieve this 7 million tons we will have to prove a reserve of 150 million tons during the Third Five Year Plan.

**Shri Warior:** May I know whether, in order to achieve that target, Government have already taken any steps apart from the geological survey?

**Shri Thimmaiah:** Yes, Sir. In order to step up production we have to prove sufficient reserve. With this end in view the programmes of the Geological Survey of India and the Indian Bureau of Mines have been intensified and also the programmes of these two departments have been co-ordinated, and a joint time schedule of work has been drawn up.

**श्री भक्त दर्शन :** क्या माननीय मंत्री जी के ध्यान में यह बात आई है कि चूने का पत्थर निकालने के सिलसिले में पहाड़ों को इस बुरी तरह वरबाद किया जा रहा है, जैसे देहरादून और मसूरी के बीच में, कि उस से बहुत बड़ा नुकसान होने की आशंका है, तो क्या इस बात का ध्यान रक्खा जायेगा ?

**खान और इंधन मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री हजरतबीस) :** ऐसी बात गवर्नमेंट के ख्याल में नहीं आई है, लेकिन अगर कोई ऐसी बात माननीय सदस्य गवर्नमेंट के ख्याल में लायेंगे तो मैं जरूर उस को देखूंगा ।

**Shri K. C. Pant:** Is this survey being carried out specifically on account of shortages in the steel plants being experienced or is it the first of a number of surveys mineralwise to be carried out all over the country?

**Shri Thimmaiah:** In order to step up production to feed the steel plants we are making surveys and investigations in specified areas and we have for this purpose divided the areas into four

regions. In these four regions co-ordinated programme of Geological Survey and the Indian Bureau of Mines is going ahead.

**Shri Hajarnavis:** May I add that the production in Hindustan Steel Limited has not suffered on account of shortage of limestone.

**Shri R. Barua:** May I know whether any exploration in this regard has been done in the Khasi and Jaintia Hills and Garo Hills and, if so, with what result?

**Shri Hajarnavis:** No, it is not within our programme.

**Shri Warrior:** May I know the places where the geological survey has been conducted and preliminary reports obtained?

**Shri Hajarnavis:** There are four regions. The first one is Kota area in Mirzapur District in Uttar Pradesh; Shahabad District in Bihar; Palamu District in Bihar.

The second region is Satna area in Madhya Pradesh and Maihar area in Madhya Pradesh.

The third region is Jairamnagar in Bilaspur District, Madhya Pradesh.

The fourth region is Lanjiberua and other areas in Sundergarh District, Orissa.

**Shri Hem Barua:** Sir, on a point of order. When Shri R. Barua put a question about the Khasi and Jaintia Hills and Garo Hills, the hon. Minister was pleased to say that the reply is not in his brief. Could it be said like that?

**Shri Hajarnavis:** He asked about Assam, is it not?

**Mr. Speaker:** The Member takes objection to the words that the reply is not in his brief.

**Shri Kamath:** He is a lawyer also.

**Mr. Speaker:** That only means that the knowledge that he has so far on this matter does not cover that. Is

it very extraordinary that the Ministers are briefed? They do not give out everything out of their own personal knowledge; they have to be briefed by their Secretaries and their Ministries. What should I ask him to do in the future, can he advise me?

**Shri Hem Barua:** That is an open secret. But the Minister should not take shelter under that, that it is not in his brief.

**Shri Daji:** Is it parliamentary? (*Interruption*).

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, order. That is the usual form of saying; the Minister can say he requires notice.

**Shri Hajarnavis:** As far as I remember, Sir, I did not mention the word 'brief'. I said that it is not in our programme.

**Mr. Speaker:** Next question.

#### Election Propaganda Literature and Posters

\*952. { **Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:**  
**Shri Hem Barua:**  
**Shrimati Minimata:**

Will the Minister of **Home Affairs** be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has examined the propaganda literature including posters and caricatures etc. used in the General Elections; and

(b) what conclusions have been arrived at and what action is proposed?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar):** (a) and (b). The matter is under examination.

**Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:** If the State Governments have already been addressed in the matter and the material is available, what is the difficulty in the Central Ministry considering the whole material?

**Shri Datar:** We addressed all the State Governments. From five State