

undertake drilling in the Godavari Basin.

(b) The geological and geophysical surveys completed so far have not indicated any promising structures.

(c) No definite amount can be indicated at present.

Geological Survey of Andhra

*975. **Shri E. Madhusudan Rao:** Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been carried out by the Geological Survey of India in Andhra Pradesh for locating oil in the State; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Mines and Fuel (Shri Hajarnavis): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Re-employment of Ex-armymen

*976. **Shri Dharmalingam:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rules and regulations regarding the re-employment of ex-armymen have been finalised;

(b) the basis on which their pay is fixed when they are re-employed; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to improve the welfare of the ex-armymen?

The Minister in the Ministry of Defence (Shri Raghuramiah): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 2].

Nunmati Refinery

{ **Shri Basumatari:**
*977. { **Shri Liladhar Kotaki:**
 { **Shri Maheswar Naik:**
 { **Shri P. C. Borooah:**
 { **Shri P. R. Chakraverti:**

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

(a) whether the Nunmati Refinery faced a crisis towards the end of April, 1962 due to stoppage of production following serious technical and mechanical troubles in its processing units;

(b) whether the transportation of crude oil from Naharkatiya through the pipeline also stopped due to lack of storage capacity at Nunmati; and

(c) action taken for resumption of production and prevention of future recurrence of such incidents?

The Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) There has been no crisis but difficulties in the commissioning of the Kerosene refining and coking units have been experienced during the last five weeks.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The coking unit is in operation since 10-5-1962 and the Kerosene refining unit is expected to be in operation by 26-5-1962.

Oil Technicians

{ **Shri P. C. Borooah:**
*978. { **Shri Raghunath Singh:**
 { **Shri Sarjoo Pandey:**
 { **Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:**

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

(a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Commission has decided to set up three technical institutes for training of oil technicians;

(b) if so, where; and