

Shrimati Benu Chakravarty: The 25 million dollars that is coming from the President's Fund will have to be spent on transport and the docks. May I know whether the rest of the money is going to be spent on new machinery for new mines or whether it will be used for the improvement of the working of certain old mines?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: No, Sir. The new mine may be developed or the existing mine may be expanded. The particular area is in Orissa and it is known as Kiriburn mine.

Shri V. C. Shukla: Recently, the Central Government and the Orissa Government have in collaboration floated a new company, the Bonal Ores (Private) Limited and Bird and Company (Private) Limited have been appointed Secretaries and Treasurers of this Company. May I know if this Company is going to work out the iron ore deposits of Taldih and Sukinda for export to Japan?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: No, Sir. Under this scheme the mine is to be worked by the Government corporation in which the State Government may also participate but all these details are being worked out. No private party is being associated.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Tagore Centenary Celebrations

*2015. **Shri D. C. Sharma:** Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to publish the works of Shri Rabindra Nath Tagore on the occasion of his birth centenary celebrations; and

(b) if so, the nature of arrangements made for this work?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix VIII, annexure No. 128.]

Primary and Women's Education in Orissa

*2018. **Shri Surendranath Dwivedy:** Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the schemes received from the Government of Orissa urging for ad hoc grants for primary education and women's education in the State have been examined; and

(b) if so, with what result?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) and (b). No schemes have been received from the Government of Orissa urging for ad hoc grants. However, a memorandum containing a request for Central assistance on a more liberal scale and for all State Schemes has been received and is under consideration.

Shortage of Washed Coal

*2021. **Shrimati Lia Palchoudhuri:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that shortage of washed coal is being felt by the steel manufacturing plants in India;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken in the matter?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) Steel plants at present use both washed coal and unwashed coking coal of higher grades. There is no shortage in their total supplies according to present requirements.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Training of Bank Officers

*2025. **Shri Ghosal:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to send a team of bank officers for training to U.S.A. and Japan; and

(b) if so, when?