

Industrial Estates in Universities

*115. { **Shri D. C. Sharma:**
Shri Sarju Pandey:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 171 on the 16th February, 1960 and state the further progress made in the scheme to start small industrial estates in selected universities in the country?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): It has been decided that during the current Plan period, Industrial Estates may be established at the Universities of Patna, Utkal, Osmania, Jadavpur and Rajasthan. The Vice-Chancellors of these Universities have, on the request of the request of the University Grants Commission, nominated a member of the staff for discussion with the Director of Industrial Estates, Central Small Scale Industries Organisation, to prepare suitable schemes for the industries to be located in these estates.

Magnetite Deposits in Kerala

*116. **Shri Kodyian:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether magnetite deposits have been recently discovered in certain parts of the Malabar area in Kerala State; and

(b) if so, whether any assessment has been made as to the quantity available?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) Yes, Sir. Occurrences of iron ore were recorded at a number of places in Kozhikode and Palghat districts.

(b) Yes, Sir. Tentative estimates of the reserves from twelve of the occurrences have been made, totalling to about 17 million tons down to a depth of 50 feet.

Short Supply of Coal

*117. **Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention

has been drawn to the fact that as a result of short supply of coal there was a break-down of power supply at Agra in the last week of May and industries had to be closed down for a number of days;

(b) the reasons for short supply of coal; and

(c) whether it is a fact that coal is in short supply in general in many towns in Rajasthan?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Government are not aware of any abnormal shortages in the towns of Rajasthan, although it is possible that demands for soft coke, which have a comparatively low movement priority, may not have been met in full, due to the difficult transport position.

Marking System of Voting

*118. **Shri S. A. Mehdi:** Will the Minister of Law be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1407 on the 11th April, 1960 and state:

(a) whether the final decision about the marking system of voting has been taken; and

(b) if so, whether it will be introduced in backward areas?

The Deputy Minister of Law (Shri E. M. Hajarnavis): (a) and (b). It has generally been accepted that the marking system of voting would be followed at the next General Elections throughout the country except in a few backward and remote areas, where owing to transport and other difficulties it might be necessary to adhere to the balloting system. No final decision has been taken in the matter. The Chief Electoral Officers have been asked to examine the question further and submit their reports