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में परिस्पितियों को देखते हुये जहां तक वे उचित समझें इस मुझाव पर ग्रमल करें।

## Coal Supply

\*492. Shri Vidya Charan Shukia: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the hardships experienced by the coal consumers in Nagpur city due to serious downfall in the supply position of soft and hard coke coal; and

(b) the nature of the steps taken or proposed to be taken to improve and ensure regular supplies in future?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) Government are aware that full quotas of soft coke and hard coke have not moved to the State of Maharashtra, including Nagpur City, and consumers may have experienced some hardship.

(b) (i) Arrangements are being made to move soft coke in block rakes to selected centres in Maharashtra, from where distribution can be effected easily by the State authorities;

(ii) a separate provision is being made for the supply of bye-product hard coke in the periodical allotments; and

(iii) the local authorities at Nagpur have been advised to switch over to nut coke from the Bhilai Steel Works, as the rail movement will be easier than from Bengal-Bihar. This coke can be used both for domestic consumption and for small scale industries.

## Geological Survey of Himachal Pradesh

\*493. Shri J. B. S. Bist: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state whether Government propose to conduct a geological survey of Chini and Pangi areas of Himachal Pradesh? The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): Systematic mapping and mineral investigation in the area adjacent to Chini and Pangi areas has already been taken up by the Geological Survey of India during the year 1960-61. This investigation is proposed to be continued during the Third Five Year Plan period.

## Excavations at Saragwala (Ahmedabad)

\*494. Shri Kalika Singh: Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the archaeological excavations at Saragwala in Ahmedabad district have been completed;

(b) if so, the discoveries made so far;

(c) whether the big mound Lothal has yielded valuable finds;

(d) if so, the nature thereof; and

(e) what periods of history or prehistory, people and culture have come to light as a result of studies made so far?

The Deputy Minister of Scientific Besearch and Cultural Affairs (Dr. M. M. Das): (a) to (e). Detailed information has already been published in 'Indian Archaeology—A Review' from 1954-55 to 1959-60, copies of which are available in the Library of Parliament.

## All-India Federation of Hindi Organisations

•495. Shri Arjun Singh Bhadauria; Shri P. G. Deb:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether an All India Federation of the various voluntary Hindi Organisations is being set-up by Government for the spread of Hindi language; and

(b) if so, the total amount sanctioned for the same?