

## NIGHT LANDING EQUIPMENTS AT AIR-FIELDS

**\*1000. Sardar Hukam Singh:** (a) Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state whether air-fields in Delhi are equipped with the latest Night Landing Equipments?

(b) When was the last order for such equipment placed by the Government of India and when was that received?

(c) What was the cost of this equipment?

**The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):** (a) The bulk of the existing night landing equipment in the two Delhi aerodromes is not of the latest type, having been obtained from war surplus stores. The aerodrome location beacon at Safdarjang Aerodrome is, however, of the latest type.

(b) An order for up-to-date ground lighting equipment for Safdarjang was placed on the Director General, Supplies and Disposals in August, 1952. A similar order for the latest type of ground lighting equipment for Palam is expected to be placed very shortly. Deliveries against both these orders are expected to be completed by the end of 1954.

(c) Rs. 3.3 lakhs approximately for Safdarjang. Rs. 11 lakhs for Palam.

**Sardar Hukam Singh:** May I know whether any survey has been made to find out the total cost that we shall have to incur for equipping these air-fields with the latest equipment?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** A survey as such has not been made, but the cost of the equipment is known. The regulations for the lighting of the runway are laid down by the ICAO. Such airports as are used at night, we have to equip according to that standard. But it will take time to obtain the necessary equipment and instal them.

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** Is there any scheme before the Government to provide the latest equipment in all the air-fields?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** Sir, we are aspiring to do that.

**Sri Radhelal Vyas:** May I know how the conditions regarding night-landing at the Nagpur air-field compare with the equipment at the air-fields in Delhi?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** As I have stated, the Safdarjang aerodrome beacon is of the latest type. We have a beacon at Nagpur also. This is the only airport in India which is equipped with the simple form of approach lighting also.

## COAL MINES COMMITTEE OF I.L.O.

**\*1001. Sardar Hukam Singh:** (a) Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state whether India participated in the Fifth Session of the Coal Mines Committee of the International Labour Organisation held in November/December, 1953, in the Federal Republic of Germany?

(b) Who were the delegates selected as representatives of the Government of India?

(c) Did any advisers accompany the delegates?

**The Minister of Labour (Shri V. V. Giri):** (a) Yes.

(b) Shree L. N. Ray, Second Secretary, Embassy of India, Bonn.

(c) No.

**Sardar Hukam Singh:** May I know whether any representatives of employers and workers were also included?

**Shri V. V. Giri:** Yes.

**Sardar Hukam Singh:** Who were they?

**Shri V. V. Giri:** Shri L. N. Ray, Embassy of India, Government delegate; Shri C. P. Mookerjee and Shri B. P. Agarwal, employers' delegates; Shri B. P. Sinha, Shri Jha, workers' delegates.

**Sardar Hukam Singh:** Were these nominations made after consultation