

in order to avoid harmful interference from the radio stations of other countries;

- (iv) collaborating with other Administrations to establish tariffs at levels as low as possible consistent with an efficient service;
- (v) helping to ensure the safety of life at sea and in air through the co-operation of telecommunication services; and
- (vi) undertaking technical studies on telecommunication matters in collaboration with administrations for improvement in technique and operational methods.

Shri K. G. Deshmukh: May I know what is the contribution that the Government is making towards this?

Shri Raj Bahadur: Rs. 1.78 lakhs per annum.

MEDICAL DELEGATION FROM WEST GERMANY

*1221. **Shri V. Missir:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Delegation of Medical Experts from West Germany visited this country in the last week of November, 1954;

(b) if so, the main purpose of their visit; and

(c) whether the Delegation came at the invitation of Government?

The Deputy Minister of Health (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): (a) Yes.

(b) They came on a study tour.

(c) No.

ROCK BURST IN KOLAR GOLD FIELDS

*1222. **Shri Thimmaiah:** Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a rock burst took place at the Kolar Gold fields on the 30th November, 1954;

(b) if so, the number of persons killed and injured; and

(c) the causes of the accident?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): (a) Yes.

(b) Four killed; one seriously injured.

(c) An enquiry into the accident is being made.

Shri Thimmaiah: May I know whether any relief has been given to the bereaved families?

Shri Abid Ali: Certainly. According to the Workmen's Compensation Act, the families of the deceased persons will get relief if they have not already got it.

Shri Thimmaiah: May I know whether the Rockburst enquiry Committee which was appointed a year back, has submitted its report and what its recommendations are?

Shri Abid Ali: If the hon. Member is referring to the enquiry concerning the rockburst in 1952, the report was placed on the Table of this House on 14th May, 1953.

Shri Joachim Alva: Is it true that the Government has got fool-proof rules regarding inspection of mines, but that inspection done by the Inspectors is irregular and not on sound lines?

Shri Abid Ali: It is not a fact.

Shri P. C. Bose: What is the depth at which this rockburst took place and what is the likely pressure per square inch of this super-incumbent rock?

Shri Abid Ali: The accident took place on 30th November, 1954. With regard to the second part, I would like to have notice.

Shri P. C. Bose: I wanted to know the depth.

Shri Abid Ali: I am sorry. About 290 feet.

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