इस्पात, खान तथा घातु मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री प्रकाश चन्द सेठी) : (क) 550.19 लाख रुपये।

(ख) तीसरी पंचवर्शीय योजना में राष्ट्रीय कोयला विकास निगम का कोयला उत्पादन का लक्ष्य 30.5 मिलियन टन प्रति वर्ष था। तथापि कोयले का बाजार मंदा होने के कारण कोयले का उत्पादन लगभग 10 मिलियन टन प्रति वर्ष तक सीमित रखना पड़ा।

Decontrol of Commodities

7193. Shri S. S. Kothari; Shri S. K. Tapuriah; Shri P. N. Solanki; Shri K. M. Koushik;

Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4963 on the 7th July, 1967 and state the Government's policy in regard to the decontrol of such commodities as have not yet been decontrolled?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Commerce (Shri Mohd. Shafi Qureshi): Government keeps a constant watch on the production, supply and distribution of essential commodities. The policy followed has been to withdraw controls which are ineffective and which come in the way of production.

Mineral Wealth in Manipur

7194. Shri M. Meghachandra: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Metals be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any geological survey has been carried out in Manipur to find out the mineral wealth of the State; and
 - (b) if so, the result thereof?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Metals (Dr. Channa Reddy): (a) Yes, Sir. (b) As a result of investigations carried out by the Geological Survey of India occurrences of limestone, pig iron ore, chromite, asbestos, copper, nickel and lignite have been recorded.

Export of Cotton Yarn to South Korea

7195. Shri D. D. Jena; Shri K. P. Singh Deo;

Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the South Korean Government have offered to buy Indian cotton yarn and railway freight cars from India;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reactions of Government thereto?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Dinesh Singh): (a) to (c). The Government of Republic of Korea have issued tender enquiries for the supply of hosiery cotton, yarn, Bogie Tank Wagons and Bogie Hopper Wagons and S.T.C. had submitted tenders. The S.T.C.'s tender for supply of wagons is the lowest. Negotiations are going on for finalising this deal. As regards the tender for cotton yarn, the results are not yet known.

Ticketless on the Railways

7196. Shri Baburao Patel: Will the Minister of Rallways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that in a surprise check on 15 SF Shikohabad-Farrukabad passenger train on the 13th May, 1967 near Bhogaon Station of the Northern Railway, 161 passengers were caught travelling without tickets and the amount of Rs. 5,260/- was collected as fine by the Railway Magistrate accompanied the railway party;
- (b) the number of such raids the railway authorities carry out in cooperation with the Railway Magistrates every month and on what Railways;