

में पाए गए महत्वपूर्ण खनिज भंडारों में कोयला, लोह अयस्क, मैंगनीज, बाक्साइट, आघार धातु, अन्नक और चूना-पत्थर के भंडार शामिल हैं।

(ग) लैंड सैट 1 और 2 नामक अमेरिकी उपग्रहों ई० आर० टी० एस० ए० और बी० अपने निकटतम परिपथ में लगभग 900 कि० मी० की ऊंचाई से भू-विन्यास के सूक्ष्म निरीक्षण की क्षमता (पैमाना : 1 : 1,000,000 तथा बिम्ब आकार लगभग 80 मीटर) सीमित है। देश में बिहार व कुछ अन्य स्थानों के लिए लैंड सैट 1 और 2 बिम्ब भारतीय भू-सर्वेक्षण को प्राप्त हुए हैं जिनका खनिज समन्वेषण सहित अन्य अनेक प्रकार के उपयोगों की दृष्टि से जी० एस० आई० द्वारा अध्ययन किया जा रहा है।

**Fitting of the posts and Postal Superintendent Services from Departmental Services**

2867. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether posts in P.S.S. Group 'B' in the postal and Railway Mail Service wings of the department are filled in by selection from amongst the members of Association of the Inspector of Post Offices and Asstt. Supdt. of Post Offices as also IRMS and ASRMS Associations;

(b) whether these selections are made every year; if so, why 74 officials selected in 1975 as per rules framed by the Government on the recommendations of the Third Pay Commission have not yet been appointed on the posts meant for them; and

(c) the time by which the Government propose to finalise further selections for promotion to P.S.S. Group 'B'?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BRIJLAL VERMA): (a) According to the recruitment rules for promotion to PSS Group 'B', 75 per cent of vacancies are to be filled in by selection from amongst the Inspectors of Post Offices and Railway Mail Service and the remaining 25 per cent of vacancies are to be filled in through a Departmental Competitive Examination restricted to the Inspectors of Post Offices and Railway Mail Service.

(b) and (c). The selections are normally to be made every year, subject to availability of vacancies. The 75 officials who are included in the select list for appointment to PSS Group 'B' in 1975 against 75 per cent of vacancies, as envisaged in the recruitment rules, have not been regularly appointed so far, as the Third Pay Commission's recommendations regarding filling up of the balance of 25 per cent of the vacancies through a departmental examination is under consideration of the Government, and further selections for appointment to P.S.S. Group 'B' would be made only after a final decision is taken by the Government on these issues involved.

**Selection of Post Masters Group 'B'**

2868. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether selection for the 90 per cent posts of Post Masters Group 'B' made from amongst the Inspectors and Assistant Superintendents of Post Offices; and

(b) if so, reasons for not making selections since 1975?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BRIJLAL VERMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The basis of eligibility of officials for promotion to 90 per cent of posts of Postmasters Group 'B' and for promotion to the Postal Superintendents