

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

Service Group 'B' is the same. The Third Pay Commission had recommended filling up by an examination 25 per cent of the vacancies for P.S.S. Group 'B', against which the Service associations had represented and the matter is under consideration. Since the selection of both the services are interlinked, the selection to the Post-masters Group 'B' could not be held so far.

**Filling up posts of Postal Superintendent Services**

2869. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Third Pay Commission recommended filling up of 25 per cent posts of P.S.S. Group 'B' through a departmental examination;

(b) if so, whether this proposal of the Government was opposed by the Association of Inspectors and Assistant Superintendents of Post Offices and the then Minister of Communications assured a deputation of this Association in February, 1976, that the said examination shall be cancelled; and

(c) if so, what decision has been taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BRIJLAL VERMA):

(a) The Third Pay Commission had recommended filling up of 25 per cent vacancies and not posts in P.S.S. Group 'B' through a Departmental Examination.

(b) and (c). The Association of Inspectors and Assistant Superintendents of Post Offices had represented against the decision of the Government to hold the Departmental Examination. The then Minister of Communications had informed the Association that the matter would be re-examined and the holding of the examination was postponed. The entire issue is under active consideration of the Government.

ग्रामीण इलाकों में अस्पताल खोले जाना

2870. श्री अर्जुन सिंह भदौरिया : क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ग्रामीण इलाकों में नए अस्पताल खोलने हेतु कोई योजना बनाने पर विचार कर रही है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका व्यौरा क्या है ?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री (श्री राज नारायण) : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) यह प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

**Bonus to Industrial Workers and Central Government Employees**

2871. DR. VASANT KUMAR PANDIT: Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government are seriously considering the question of payment of bonus to the industrial workers and employees; and

(b) whether Government also propose to consider the payment of bonus to Central Government employees for doing mental labour?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR (SHRI RAVINDRA VARMA): (a) and (b). Bonus is payable in terms of the Payment of Bonus Act, 1965. Proposals have been received for amendment of the Act in certain respects, including coverage, and these are under consideration.