

(c) the number of cases pending investigation with reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) and (b). The number of accidents involving injury to persons in the works of Bokaro Steel Plant, from 1984 onwards are given below :

Year	Fatal	Non-Fatal
1984	6	649
1985	8	692
1986 (till 31-7-1986)	4	351

(c) Enquiry is conducted in all accidents. There is no case in which an enquiry/investigation is pending.

Switching over to Movement of Steel by Road

3536. **SHRI RANJIT SINGH GAEKWAD :** Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether steel plants in the public sector are considering to switch over to movement of steel by road due to severe constraints of railway wagons and the Railways inability to cope up with the marketing requirements of steel plants ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K.C. PANT) : (a) and (b). The Railways are generally in a position to clear traffic offered by the steel plants. But in view of the Railways' preference for moving most of the iron and steel materials in rake loads, the steel plants in the public sector have been facing problems in despatching materials to the smaller stockyards where the requirement is less than a rake load. SAIL is considering the possibility of moving some

iron and steel materials by road where adequate piecemeal wagon movement is not available.

Setting up of AIR Station in Dharamsala

3537. **SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI :** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether a study team visited Dharamsala to assess the feasibility of setting up of a radio station ;

(b) if so, the recommendations made by the study team ; and

(c) the time by which the radio station is likely to be installed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL) : (a) and (b). No, Madam. It has already been decided to set up a F.M. Radio Station of 2X5 KW at Dharamsala. The scheme is already included in AIR's 7th Plan. The team referred to was a site survey team of AIR engineers which visited Dharamsala and identified three possible sites. The State Government has been requested to furnish details of these sites.

(c) The station is likely to start functioning by March 1990.

Gene Banks

3538. **SHRIMATI D.K. BHANDARI :** Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are any gene banks in the country ;

(b) if so, the functions thereof ; and

(c) the names of such centres/banks State-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION : (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Yes, Sir.