

**मध्य प्रदेश के उद्योगों में प्रशिक्षु
(अप्रेंटिस)**

1487. श्री कल्याण जैन : क्या संसदीय कार्य तथा अन्न मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि म.प्र. प्रदेश के विभिन्न उद्योगों में प्रशिक्षुओं अप्रेंटिसों की वर्तमान संख्या कितनी है और इन प्रशिक्षुओं में से ऐसे उम्मीदवारों की संख्या क्रमशः कितनी है जो हरिजन समुदाय, आदिम जातियों तथा अन्य अल्प संख्यक एवं पिछड़े वर्गों के हैं।

संसदीय कार्य तथा अन्न मंत्री (श्री रवीन्द्र वर्मा) : शिक्षु अधिनियम, 1961 के अधीन मध्य प्रदेश में विभिन्न औद्योगिक संस्थानों में प्रशिक्षण प्राप्त कर रहे शिक्षुओं की संख्या नीचे श्रेणी-वार बताई गई है :

अनुसूचित जाति	754
अनुसूचित जन-जाति	550
अल्पसंख्यक समुदाय	777
पिछड़े वर्ग	432
अन्य	3,395
योग	5,908

Indo-Bangladesh relations

1488. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any possibility of re-opening of bilateral relations between India and Bangladesh;

(b) if so, when; and

(c) what particular subjects of common interest are likely to be discussed?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE): (a) to (c). Discussions have been going on continuously between India and Bangladesh in order to find mutually acceptable solutions to bilateral problems and to promote friendship and co-operation between the two countries.

Non deposit of P.F. in Kerala

1489. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether some of the public sector undertakings in Kerala have not remitted their share of provident fund contributions; and

(b) if so, the names of these undertakings, the amount involved and the actions taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR (SHRI RAVINDRA VARMA): (a) and (b). The requisite information is being collected from the Provident Fund authorities. It will be laid on the Table of the Sabha in due course.

Telephone operators

1490. SHRI M. RAM GOPAL REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether 3 months training is a must for all the new telephone operators before they are offered regular scale;

(b) the number of telephone operators sent for training so far out of the batch recruited by Delhi Telephones on the basis of examination held in July, 1976; and

(c) the number of persons yet to be sent for training?