- (b) if so, whether the report of the survey team has been received; and
- (c) if so, the assistance extended to the Government of Bihar to combat and contain the disease?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAG-DAMBI PRASAD YADAV): (a) A central team of experts conducted a random survey of selected villages in four districts of Muzzaffarpur, shali, Samastipur and Sitamadhi which were mainly effected by Kalazar from 7th to 22nd August, 1977.

- (b) Yes.
- (c) The assistance extended by the Government of India to the Government of Bihar consists of the following:---
 - 1. Insecticides, spray equipment, operational support has been provided by diversion of funds from National Malaria Eradication Programme.
 - 2. A strategy for control has been worked out in consultation with the Government of Bihar.
 - 3. While the Government of Bihar is procuring the indigenously available anti-mony compounds. Government of India procured Pentamidine Lomodine drugs through the WHO and supplied them to the Government of Bihar.
 - 4. Provided epidemiologists continuously evaluate the Kalazar activities.
 - Designed a search in 31 districts by house to house visit health workers. Due to strike State Health employees in this could not, however, be undertaken so far.

चासनाला कोयला खान श्रमिकों को मुग्रावजा

619. श्रो राम दास सिंह : क्या इस्पात मौर खान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) उन देशों के नाम क्या हैं जिनके श्रमिकों ने तथा अन्य संगठनों ने दिसम्बर, 1974 में चासनाला कोयला-खान (इण्डियन म्रायरन एण्ड स्टील कम्पनी) दुर्घटना में मरे 378 श्रमिकों के संतप्त परिवारों को सहायता देने के लिए राष्ट्रीय खान कर्मचारी संघ को धनराशि दो है तथा वह कितनी धनराशि
- (ख) यह कुल राशि किन-किन मदों पर खर्चकी गई:
- (ग) क्या यह सच है कि एक बड़ी राशि का दूरूपयोग किया गया ; ग्रौर
- (घ) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार इस मामले में जांच करेगी?

इ पात भ्रीर खान मंत्रालय मैं राज्य मंत्री (श्री करिया मुण्डा): (क) से (ग) . सरकार को इस बात की कोई जानकारी नहीं है कि दिसम्बर, 1974 में चासनाला कोयला-खान दुर्घटना में मरे कामगारों के संतप्त परिवारों को सहायता देने के लिए राष्ट्रीय खान कर्मचारी संघ को बाहर के देशों से धनराशि, यदि कोई थी, प्राप्त हुई थी।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Agricultural Workers

620. SHRI CHITTA BASU: SHRI PHOOL CHAND. VERMA:

Will the Minister of PARLIAMEN-TARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of agricultural workers in the country;
- (b) the condition of their life and work; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to ameliorate their conditions?