4. Insecticidal sprav operations have been undertaken in all rural areas, which have incidence of two or more cases per thousand population

Written Answers

- 5. Adequate quantity of antimalaria drugs have been supplied to the States and Union Territories Governments. Drug Depots/Drug Distribution Centres/Fever Treatbeen opened ment Centres have from where anti-malarial drugs are available conveniently to the public free of cost. In a few areas where resistance to choloroquine by parasited has been noticed, alternative antimalarials like quinine have been supplied.
- 6. Anti-larvel operations under Areas Programme Urban Malaria have been intensified. The Scheme has been extended to 38 towns during 1977-78 besides continuing it in the already existing 28 towns.
- 7. For early examination of blood smears and providing quick medical treatment, to positive cases, laboratory services have been decentralised to the P.H.C. level.
- 8. Supervision of the field staff has been tonned up.
- taken for 9. Steps have been undertaking both fundamental and operational research in Malaria.
- 10. Intensive campaign has been started in North Eastern region with World Health Organisation assistance for containing the spread of P. Falciparum infection.
- 11. Steps have been taken for imparting health education regarding the disease and for seeking cooperation of public organisations e.g. School teacher Panchayats dents. Youth Organisations, Medical Practitioners etc. in controlling the disease.

Mineral Resources of Himachal Pradesh

- 743. SHRI DURGA CHAND: Wiil the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:
- (a) the mineral resources tapped in Himachal Pradesh during the last three years; and
- (b) the steps being taken to make a survey of all the minerals hidden in Himachal Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI KARIA MUNDA): (a) During the last three years major minerals limestone and barytes: like rocksalt, besides minor minerals such as slate, ordinary clays, sand, kankar building stones were mined in Himachal Pradesh.

(b) Geological Survey of India and State Directorate of Industries are actively engaged in survey ploration of minerals in Himachal Pradesh. During 1977-78 field season, Geological Survey of India intends to investigate for cement grade limestone in Simla District, clay in Mandi district, slate in Kulu, Kangra and Mandi districts and for antimony-lead-zinc around Bara-Shigri glacier in Lahaul-Spiti district.

Reorganisation of Statutory Tripartite **Bodies**

- 744. SHRI DINEN BHATTA-CHARYA: Will the Minister of PAR-LIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND LAB-OUR be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have not yet reorganised statutory tripartite bodies like the ESI Corporation, Provident Fund Trustees etc.;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Congress Government constituted these Committees on