

in Middle East countries. The Government of Gujarat have under consideration a proposal to set up an Overseas Employment Board on the lines of the Kerala Organisation.

Strike in Bharat Gold Mine Project

4903. DR. BIJOY MONDAL: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the workers of Bharat Gold Mines Project Ltd., Ramagiri, Anantapur are on indefinite hunger strike since 5th March, 1978;

(b) whether this has been represented to the Ministry; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken or proposed to be taken to call off the strike and meet the justified demands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI KARIA MUNDA): (a) No, Sir. The temporary and casual labourers of Ramagiri Project of Bharat Gold Mines Limited went on strike on 22nd February, 1978, which was called off from 15th March, 1978.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The workmen called off the strike unconditionally from 15th March, 1978. All reasonable demands of the temporary and casual labourers are being looked into by Bharat Gold Mines Limited.

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4904. श्री गंगा भक्त सिंह : क्या संघार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उत्तर प्रदेश के उन डाकघरों में, जो जिला मुख्यालयों में हैं, अथवा अन्य महत्वपूर्ण शहरों में सार्वजनिक टेलीफोन

लगाने के लिये कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उत्तर प्रदेश के किन-किन जिलों में यह कार्यक्रम लागू किये जाने का प्रस्ताव है ; और

(ग) क्या सरकार को इस बारे में लोगों से कोई मांग भी प्राप्त हुई है ?

संघार संचालय से राज्य मंत्री (श्री नरहरि प्रसाद सुखदेव साय) : (क) से (ग). वांछित सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और इसे सभा पटल पर रख दिया जायेगा ।

Import of Crossbar Telephone Equipments

4905. PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have imported Cross Bar equipments for telephones in the country during the years 1975, 1976 and 1977,

(b) if so, the full facts thereof, including countries/firms from where the said equipments were brought and at what total cost;

(c) the places in India where the said equipment is installed;

(d) whether it is found satisfactory or defective; and

(e) if so, broad details thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI NARHARI PRASAD SUKHDEO SAI): (a) Yes, Sir.