

संचार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री नरहरि प्रसाद मुखर्जी) : (क) ब्रह्मपुरी का डाकघर बचत बैंक का काम कर रहा है। गीतापुरी, असमानपुर और चौहान बाजार में कोई डाकघर नहीं है। तथापि, शाहदरा और दिल्ली के जमुना पार के इलाके में काम करने वाले सभी 4 डाकघर बचत बैंक का काम कर रहे हैं।

(ख) मौजूदा विभागीय मानदण्डों के अनुसार इन इलाकों में नए डाकघर खोलने का कोई औचित्य सिद्ध नहीं होता।

(ग) विभागीय मानदण्डों के अनुसार गीतापुरी में डाकघर खोलने का कोई औचित्य सिद्ध नहीं होता।

Lock-outs and Mandays lost

2705. SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPAN:

SHRI RAM KISHAN:

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

(a) how many mandays were lost due to strike during last six months of 1978;

(b) how many lock-outs of units are continuing in States, sector-wise; and

(c) how many fresh lock-outs took place in last six months and details sector-wise thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMEN-TARY AFFAIRS AND LABOUR (SHRI RAVINDRA VARMA): (a) According to the provisional information received by the Labour Bureau upto 18-7-78, the total number of Mandays lost due to strikes during the period January to May, 1978 was 4.76 million.

(b) A statement (No. I) giving the information available in respect of lockouts which were reported continuing in the returns for the months of January to May, 1978, is laid on the

Table of the House. [Placed in Lib-rary. See No. LT-2563/78].

(c) A statement (No. II) giving the information available in respect of lockouts which originated during the months of January to May, 1978, is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-2563/78].

Islamic Meet

2706. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH SAYIANWALA:

SHRI RAM PRAKASH TRI-PATHI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Indian nationals attended the Islamic meet recently held in Pakistan and opened by the Chief Martial Law Administrator of Pakistan;

(b) if so, in what capacity they represented India there;

(c) whether the selection of the delegates was made by an official agency; and

(d) the role they played in the Conference and the report if any, submitted by them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SAMARENDRA KUNDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). They participated in their personal capacity in response to invitations received from the Organizers of the Conference.

(d). According to our information, the participants from India made an effort to block any discussions on Kashmir in the Committee of the Conference which was dealing with the problems of Muslim Minorities, on the ground that the meeting was concerned with social, economic and cultural matters and political items like Kashmir should not find a place