

average width of 2.5 to 3 metres. In view of the very low grade of the ore and the narrow width of the orebody, the operations have not proved viable.

Gold in Gulbarga District

3691. SHRI RAJSHEKHAR KOLUR: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that gold was discovered by the Geological Survey in Shorapur Taluka in Gulbarga District of Karnataka; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken for its exploration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI KARIA MUNDA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Preliminary investigations for gold in Mangalur schist belt, Shorapur taluk, Gulbarga District, Karnataka confirmed the presence of gold in the area. Geophysical surveys conducted during the field season 1977-78 have revealed four anomaly zones in the area. Further work to test the anomalies is in progress.

स्टील प्रचारिटी ग्राम इंडिया द्वारा कोयले का आयात

3692. डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पांडेय :

श्री यशबल शर्मा :

श्री माधवराव सिन्धिया :

क्या इस्थान और खान मंत्री यह बनाने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या स्टील प्रचारिटी ग्राम इंडिया लि० ने सरकार की मंजूरी लिये बिना प्रास्टे-विद्या से 10 लाख टन कोयले का आयात किया है ;

(ख) क्या स्टील प्रचारिटी का कोल इंडिया को प्रतिबन्ध करीको रूप का बाटा हो रहा है ;

(ग) क्या इस विद्या में अब तक की गई कार्यवाही निष्फल सिद्ध हुई है ; और

(घ) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 18 जुलाई, 1978 के "नवभारत टाइम्स" (नई दिल्ली संस्करण) में इन बातों को उजागर करने वाले समाचार की ओर गया है ?

इस्थान और खान मंत्री (श्री बोधू पटनायक):

(क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग) वर्ष 1974-75 से 1976-77 के दौरान स्टील प्रचारिटी ग्राम इंडिया लि० की द्वारा वार्षिक लाभ 30.29 करोड़ रुप और 73.26 करोड़ रुप के बीच है । वर्ष 1977-78 के लेकों को घसी अन्तिम रूप नहीं दिया गया है परन्तु धाधा है कि सेल को इस वर्ष भी लाभ होगा । लेकिन कोल इंडिया लि० का विभिन्न कारणों से बाटा हुआ है ।

Setting up of Ancillary Industries by Bhilai Steel Plant

3693. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEYA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bhilai Steel Plant has shown no interest in setting up of ancillary industries and in extending recognition and cooperation to such units already set up and in accepting them as ancillary units;

(b) whether even the ancillary industrial units set up in 1971 have not been recognised as ancillary units; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI KARIA MUNDA): (a) No, Sir. On the contrary, the management of Bhilai Steel Plant is continuing to render all necessary help and cooperation in the development of ancillary/small scale industries. The plant is placing orders for all such items which can be manufactured by these industries, providing technical know-how and guidance, arranging or helping in procurement of raw-materials, providing testing facilities, etc. As a result of these efforts, small scale industries around Bhilai have progressed considerably. The ancillary selection Committee that is being set up by the State