

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) Government have seen press reports to the effect that the Transvaal Indian Congress has decided to seek the support of the Asian-African nations in this matter.

(b) The Bandung Conference of Asian-African countries held in April 1955 strongly condemned racial discrimination in South Africa. The Asian African countries represented in the U. N. are fully aware of the situation in South Africa and this matter has been before the U. N. General Assembly for the past few years. The question of the Government of India taking it up afresh with these countries does not arise.

कोरवा कोयला खानें

१७५४. डा० राम सुभग सिंह :
क्या उत्पादन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि कोरवा (मध्य प्रदेश) की कोयला खानों के बारे में एक प्रतिवेदन तैयार करने के लिये रूसी विशेषज्ञों का एक दल भारत आने के लिये धामंत्रित किया गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो वह दल कब तक भारत आ जायेगा; और

(ग) उनसे किन-किन बातों की छान-बीन करने के लिये और किन विशेष बातों पर विचार करने के लिये कहा जायेगा ?

उत्पादन मंत्री (श्री क० च० रेड्डी) :

(क) जी, हां ।

(ख) इसी वर्ष अक्टू ।

(ग) रूसी विशेषज्ञ इस क्षेत्र में कोयले की खानों के विकास के लिये भारतीय विशेषज्ञों द्वारा बनाई गई योजना का अध्ययन करेंगे । वे इस बारे में आम सलाह देंगे कि इस क्षेत्र में किस प्रकार जल्द से जल्द और कम खर्च करके कोयला निकाला जाये और काम के लिये किस प्रकार के यंत्र काम में लाये जायें ।

Sale of Cement

1755. **Dr. Ram Subhag Singh** Will the Minister of Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) whether representations have been made to Government for the continuance of Gate-sale of cement in Bihar Cement Factories for the benefit of the local consumers; and

(b) if so, the action taken in that regard ?

The Minister of Heavy Industries (Shri M. M. Shah): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Do not arise.

Printing Press

1756. **Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:** Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up a modern printing press for the large-scale manufacture of books by the National Book Trust;

(b) if so, when this press will be set up; and

(c) at what cost ?

The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply and Commerce and Consumer Industries (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). The proposal is still in a nebulous stage and no precise information in regard to the date for the setting up of the press or its cost could be given at present.

Raw Film Industry

1757. { **Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:**
Shri Mohana Rao:
Dr. Rama Rao:

Will the Minister of Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) the recommendations made by the East German Experts delegation, which visited India during the early part of this year regarding the manufacture of raw film in India;

(b) whether Government have received any offer from East Germany for setting up a plant for manufacturing raw film; and

(c) whether Government have accepted that offer ?

The Minister of Heavy Industries (Shri M. M. Shah): (a) to (c). The East German Experts have submitted a preliminary report and further details are awaited.