Sardar Swaran Singh: I have rerecently circularised a small brochure giving the progress in the recovery and restoration of abducted women. If the hon. Member will have a look at this dak he will have all the information from this little pamphlet.

Educated Unemployed

*154. Shri Velayudhan: Will the Minister of Labour be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have been taken on the scheme prepared for educated unemployed by the Travancore-Cochin State, and -

(b) whether any concrete work or project has been undertaken for the same?

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): (a) It has been decided to set up some pilot projects based on the recommendations of the Study Group on Educated Unemployed. Such schemes of the State Government as fall within the purview of these pilot projects are being considered by Government.

(b) Under one of the schemes, Production Centres at Tiruvella and Ettumanur are being set up.

Shri Velayudhan: May I know how many such production centres are there, how many educated unemployed people will be absorbed in them and is there any specific scheme by which a certain number of unemployed will be absorbed in these centres?

Shri Abid Ali: In these two particular places about 700 educated unemployed will be given work.

Shri Velayudhan: In view of the magnitude of the unemployment problem which is increasing day by day in the State. is there any other large-scale scheme for absorbing these unemployed people in the State itself?

Shri Abid Ali: Some more schemes are under consideration.

Shri Punnoose: May I know whether the Government have in their possession statistics to show the total number of educated unemployed in that State?

Shri Abid Ali: No, Sir.

Giridih Collieries

*155. Shri Nageshwar Prashad Sinha : Will the Minister of Production be pleased to state :

(a) what steps have been taken to ste up speedy extraction of 'A' grade hig quality coal from lower Kurhurbaree scame in Giridih Collicries after acceptance of the recommendation made in this direction by the Technical Committee on Giridia. Collicries;

(b) what [principles have been laid down to absorb surplus lobour of the collieries; and

(c) how many hands have been abcorbed so far after the report of the Technical. Committee ?

The Deputy Minister of Production. (Shri Satish Chandra): (a) The following steps have been taken :--

- (i) Depillaring operations have been commenced in Kolimaran pit.
- (ii) Pillar extraction is being started in Jubilee pit.
- (iii) The output is being increased by quicker recovery wherever possible,... consistent with safety.

(b) and (c) : All the surplus workers are being continued for the present. It is tooearly to say how many of the surplus workers have been or can be absorbed as a result. of the implementation of the Technical Committee's recommendations.

Shri Nageshwar Prasad Sinha : As far as my knowledge goes, about a thousand surplus workers are still waiting for employment and they were assured that when production would be stepped up, they would be absorbed. May I know specifically how many of these persons have been absorbed up till now and what is the principle observed in the matter of absorbing them?

Shri Satish Chandra : There areabout 750 surplus workers in the Giridih collieries and not a thousand as the hon. Member says. Out of this number, 93 are medically unfit and have to be retrenched. Because a case is pending before the industrial tribunal, no step has been taken. It is possible that a lot of these workers will be absorbed as the production. is stepped up in this colliery.

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