The Frime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharial Nehru): So far as I know some kind of tests are being made in various parts but the real full-scale thorough tests are at present made only at Trombay because it requires equipment, etc. that are available there.

Shri D. C. Sharma: In the statement it is said that the data available is not very adequate. May I know if more efforts will be made to make the data more adequate so that the survey becomes more reliable?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: I do not think the statement says that the data is not adequate. They are not wide-spread; they are not taken from all over India. These results are based on the analysis of bones obtained from the Bombay hospitals during December, 1958. There is the difficulty of obtaining samples for this purpose It is not easy to obtain bones for this purpose. But they are obtained and I think the data is sufficient for that particular purpose.

Dr Meikete: Though radio-active substances may be wide-spread in the atmosphere, is it necessary to locate different centres at different places in order to analyse it?

Mr. Speaker: He is a doctor and he is in a better position to say that.

Shri Jawaharlai Nehru: Yes, Sir. Thank you for the answer.

Lock-outs in Kolar Gold Mines

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Shri Raghunath Singh:
Shri Bose:
Shri P. C. Borooah:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that lockout has been declared in three mines in the Kolar Gold Field:
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action taken to re-open the mines?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Labour and Employment and Planning (Shri L. N. Mishra):

- (a) No. There was a lock-out only in Nundydroog mine from the 19th January, 1959, which was lifted on the 27th January, 1959.
- (b) 'Go-slow' tactics adopted by the workers and violence used by them against an Officer of the mine.
- (c) Officers of the Industrial Relations Machinery intervened and on an assurance from the President of the Nundydroog Mines Labour Association of the disapproval of indiscipline and violence, the mine was re-opened on 27-1-1959.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: May I know whether it is a fact and it has been brought to the notice of the Lovernment that this particular officer's behaviour was extremely bad in that particular mine; if so, what action has been taken to remove that officer?

Shri L. N. Mishra: I am not aware of it.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: He is aware that the workers were after the officer, but he is not aware whether the officer was after the workers.

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Member is both a Member and a Minister! He puts a question to the ministerial side, and an answer has been given. If he does not agree, he does not agree, that is all

Shri Vajpayee: May I know the amount of loss incurred by the 'go-slow' tactics adopted by the workers during this period?

Shri L. N. Mishra: I require notice.

Shri Tangamani: May I know whether the workers have been paid wages for the lock-out period?

Shri L. N. Mishra: No, Sir.