

started exploration for polymetallic nodules in the Off-shore, which contain copper ranging from 0.009 to 1.36 per cent and traces of zinc, and lead. Surveys for polymetallic nodules in the Central Indian Ocean have been taken up in the past and are in progress.

हरिजन आदिम जाति संघ, जगजीत नगर
(हि०प्र०) को अनुदान

4990. श्री कृष्ण दत्त सुल्तानपुरी :
क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने को कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पिछले पांच वर्षों के दौरान केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा हरिजन आदिम जाति संघ तथा समाज कल्याण अनुसंधान संस्थान, जगजीत नगर, जिला सोलन, हिमाचल प्रदेश को कितना अनुदान दिया गया है; और

(ख) उनके द्वारा ये राशियाँ किन कार्यक्रमों पर खर्च की जा रही हैं ?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री निहार रंजन लास्कर) : (क) और (ख). अपेक्षित सूचना हिमाचल प्रदेश सरकार से एकत्र की जा रही है और जब प्राप्त होगी तो सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

Communal riots

4991. SHRI ATAL BIHARI
VAJPAYEE:

SHRI J. S. PATIL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of places where communal riots took place in the last three years;

(b) the number of persons prosecuted, found guilty and sentenced by courts of law in each case;

(c) the political affiliations of the persons so sentenced if any; and

(d) the short term and long range measures being adopted to curb the evil?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR):

(a) Communal riots have occurred at several places, particularly at Moradabad, Biharsharif, Hyderabad, Meerut, Baroda, Phulwarisharif and Alleppey-Trivandrum during the years 1980 to 1982.

(b) The State Governments and U.T. Administrations are primarily concerned with the prosecution of communal offenders.

(c) In view of reply to part (b), answer to part (c) does not arise.

(d) The necessity of maintaining peace and communal harmony has time and again been stressed on the State Governments. Suggestions have been made to them to streamline the administrative and intelligence machinery and for measures like arrests of anti social elements, search and seizure for the recovery of arms and ammunition and action against elements inciting communalism. It has also been suggested to some of the States that they may undertake in-depth study of the causes for communal incidents in communally sensitive areas. Central forces are made available to the States as and when the request for the same are made.

Plan outlay of Bihar

4992. SHRI KUNWAR RAM: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the head-wise plan outlay of Bihar for the year 1983-84; and