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additional facilities for enhancing seismic data processing by the above computer of OIL.

- ONGC has installed two imported computers acquired using UNDP finance for seismic data processing for oil exploration.
- 4 The DOE has approved in principle the augmentation of the facilities at the National Informatics Centre (NIC) of the DOE at Delhi specifically to support computer processing of the seismic data of ONGC. The enhancement will be effected by the end of 1983-84 and will help ONGC to clear their backlog of seismic data processing.
- 5. To enable ONGC to process
  10 million standard records per
  annum by 1984-85 and 17 million standard records by 1989-90,
  DOE has floated a global tender
  for a large computer of appropriate capacity.
- 6. NGRI is in the process of acquiring a computer for processing geo-physical data.
- 7. DOE has given in principle approval for the import of a computer system by Coal India Limited to be installed at the Central Mine Planning and Design Institute, Ranchi, which activity includes coal exploration data processing.
- 8. Geological Survey of India is currently making use of the facilities of the National Informatics Centre of DOE for cartying out computer-aided analyses relating to the investigation of mineral resources.
- (b) Yes, Sir.

Rail Roko Agitation in Punjab

670. SHRI KAMAL NATH: Will

- the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :
- (a) whether Akalis in Punjab had decided to launch "Rail Roko" agitation in Punjab on 17 June, 1983;
- (b) if so, the extent of loss of life and property caused by the agitationists;
- (c) the steps Government had taken to prevent such loss and to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR); (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) No loss of life has been reported. The demonstrators indulged in disruptive activities including cutting of signal/telephone/telegraph wires, and flooding of railway truck by cutting the canal bank. No estimate of loss of property on this account is available.
- (c) Government of Punjab had made necessary police arrangement to maintain law and order and to deal with the situation.

## Fire in Gopala Towers in New Delhi

- 671. SHRI KAMAL NATH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether a big fire broke out on 6 June, 1983 in Gopala Towers in Rajendra Place, New Delhi;
- (b) whether building did not have appropriate fire fighting arrangements and the fire escape stairs were found to have been misused; and
- (c) if so, the action taken against the persons concerned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. VENKATASUBBAIAH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.