

house at Jam Salaya on Saurashtra Coast, they were attacked by a crowd. Superintendent who led the party and one of the inspectors were seriously injured and were taken to Hospital. The Superintendent had sustained an injury in the right arm and has since been discharged but the Inspector is still in the Hospital.

The matter was reported to the police, who have arrested six of the main suspected culprits.

Personnel Policy of the Management of Defence Production Units

1924. SHRI B.V. NAIK : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what in the personnel policy for the management of Defence Production units-

(b) what is the number of Army, Navy and Air-force officers who are in key managerial posts in Defence Production Units and how the present management standards in these units compare with the management in other public sector undertakings ; and

(c) whether Government propose to restrict managerial jobs to provided management executives from all walks of life, and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (DEFENCE PRODUCTION) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA)(a) The Defence Production units fall in to two categories, namely,

(i) Departmental Undertakings, comprising 28 Ordnance Factories under the overall charge of the Director General of Ordnance Factories, and two other factories, i.e. Heavy Vehicles Factory at Avadi, and Accelerated Freeze Dried (Meat) Factory at Tundla, under the direct administrative control of the Minister of Defence; and (ii) Defence Public Sector Undertakings, numbering 8.

The personnel policy for the management of the Defence production units is aimed at manning the managerial posts in these undertakings on the basis of merit and suitability while at the same time providing the due opportunities of promotion to those serving in the lower posts. The managerial posts in the Ordnance Factories and the Heavy Vehicles Factory are included in the cadre of the Indian Ordnance Factories Service, initial recruitment to which is made through the Union Public Service Commission. Managerial posts in the Heavy Vehicles Factory, Avadi, are, however, also tenable by 'Service' Officers. The Accelerated Freeze Dried (Meat) Factory has its own separate managerial cadre.

(b) No key managerial posts in the 28 Ordnance Factories or in the Accelerated Freeze Dried (Meat) Factory are held by Army, Navy or Air Force officers. The number of such officers holding key managerial posts in the Heavy Vehicles Factory Avadi is 2, while the number of Army, Navy or Air Force Officers holding the posts of General Manager, Managing Director and Chairman or Chairman-cum-Managing Director in the Defence Public Sector Undertakings is at present 14 out of whom 11 are retired Service Officers.

The present management standards in all the Defence production units compare favourably with the management in the other Public Sector Undertakings.

(c) Does not arise in view of the reply to part (a).

Taking over of Kittur Rani Chennamma Girls' Military School run by Mysore Government

1925. SHRI B.V. NAIK : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to take over Kittur Rani Chennamma Girls Military