

ALLEGED SATI COMMITTED IN RAJASTHAN AND MADHYA PRADESH

4781. SHRIMATI ROZA DESHPANDE :

SHRI D. B. CHANDRA GOWDA :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether four women are alleged to have committed 'Sati' in Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh during the last ten months;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) the action Government had taken to curb this when first 'Sati' was committed; and

(d) the reasons for its failure to do so ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI F. H. MOHSIN) : (a) to (d). The required information is being obtained from the Governments of Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh and the same will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha on its receipt.

DIRECTIVE TO NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OCEANOGRAPHY FOR OIL EXPLORATION

4782. SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAKODKAR :

SHRI P. GANGADEB :

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have asked the National Institute of Oceanography, Goa to give greater importance to the exploration of oil resources from the sea bed; and

(b) if so, whether the Institute has started work ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM) : (a) Marine Geological and Geophysical studies of the seas around India form part of research and development projects of the National Institute of Oceanography (NIO) Goa.

These projects have a strong bearing on the assessment of mineral resources including oil of the sea bed. The Institute is at present making laboratory analysis of the mineral content of the Core samples obtained from the sea bed.

(b) The Institute will be taking up a number of field oriented projects of mineral exploration of sea bed as soon as the ocean-going research vessel of the Institute, which is at present undergoing modifications at Calcutta, is ready for operation.

DALMIA INSTITUTE OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH

4783. SHRI A. K. M. ISHAQUE : Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state :

(a) the amount paid by Government to the Dalmia Institute of Scientific and Industrial Research during the years 1971, 1972 and 1973; and

(b) the result of the research so far done at the Institute ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM) : (a) Dalmia Institute of Scientific and Industrial Research has not received any grant from the Government of India during the years 1971, 1972 and 1973.

(b) Dalmia Institute of Scientific Research has not yet come into being physically, so the question of the results of research done so far will arise only when the institute is established and it takes up research activities.

दायरोँ की आवश्यकता

4784. श्री जगन्नाथ मिश्र :

श्री एच० एस० पुरती :

क्या औद्योगिक विकास मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने विभिन्न राज्यों में राज्यवार दायरोँ की आवश्यकता सम्बन्धी आँकड़े एकत्र किए हैं; और