

**Aromatics Production in India**

1012. { Shri Basumatari:  
Shrimati Renuka Barkataki:

Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact a Rumanian proposal for producing aromatics in India is still under the active consideration of Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the decision taken thereon?

The Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

**केन्द्रीय सरकार के कार्यालयों का समय**

१०१३. श्री बोरवा कोटा : क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने यातायात की समस्या को हल करने के लिये दिल्ली और नई दिल्ली के केन्द्रीय सरकार के कुछ कार्यालयों के समय में परिवर्तन कर दिया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उनके नाम क्या हैं ?

गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य-मंत्री (श्री हजरतबीस): (क) और (ख): जी, हां। इस सम्बन्ध में जारी किये गये आदेशों की एक प्रतिलिपि सभा पटल पर रखी गई है [पुस्तकालय में रखा गया, देखिय संख्या एल० टी० १०११।६३]।

**Coal Deposits in Chingleput District, Madras State**

1014. Shri Muthlah: Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether large deposits of coal have been discovered in Walajabad

area in Chingleput district in Madras State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) and (b). No, Sir. The possibility of the occurrence of coal has however arisen from a study of the borehole cuttings while drilling for water at Kattavakkam and Vilagam in Walajabad area, Chingleput district, Madras. It is still premature to say whether any commercially exploitable coal deposits exist in the area.

**Raniganj Coal Fields**

1015. Shri Indrajit Gupta: Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether the South Kenda Colliery in Raniganj coalfields is lying idle since 5th October, 1962;

(b) if so, the reasons for the prolonged closure;

(c) the amount of coal lost due to stoppage of production; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to put the mine back into operation?

The Minister of Mines and Fuel (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) and (b). Yes. This colliery has been lying closed since October 5, 1962. The reason for the closure is stated to be the financial difficulty into which the owner has run.

(c) This is a small colliery producing about 1500 tons per month and this is the order of production that has been lost due to the closure of the mine.

(d) Efforts are being made to persuade the mine owner to reopen the mine if he can manage to resolve his financial difficulties, or, in the alternative, to sell the property to some operator who will be in a position to run it.