

लद्दाख में डाक और तार घर

3378. श्री कुशोक बाकुला : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) जम्मू तथा काश्मीर राज्य के लद्दाख जिले में कितने डाक-घर और तार-घर हैं ; और

(ख) वहां पर प्रतिरिक्त डाक-घर और तारघर बनाने की योजना का व्यौरा क्या है ?

संसद-कार्य विभाग तथा संचार विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री ई० कु० गुजराल) ; (क) डाकघर 48

ऐसे डाकघर जिनमें तार के लिए सुविधाएं मौजूद हैं—3

(ख) 1668-69 के दौरान वारु और भारत-तिब्बत सीमा पुलिस चौकी पर नये डाकघर खोले जाने की संभावना है। किसी भी नये स्थान के लिए तार सुविधाओं के विस्तार का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है। चौथी योजना की प्रवर्ध के दौरान डाक व तार सुविधाओं के विस्तार के प्रस्तावों को अभी अन्तिम रूप दिया जाना है।

Help for the Blind in India

3379. SHRIMATI ILA PALCHAUDHURI : Will the Minister of SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of India's attention has been drawn to a news report published in the Calcutta issue of Amrita Bazar Patrika dated the 3rd October, 1968 that an Umbrella factory in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) is entirely manned by blind workers ; and

(b) if so, whether Government of India propose to get details of the factory and the manner in which the blindmen work there with a view to help the blindmen in India ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE DR. (SHRIMATI) PHULRENU GUHA : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Necessary details of

the project have been requested through the Imperial Ethiopian Embassy in New Delhi.

Rehabilitation Centres for Miners

3380. SHRIMATI ILA PALCHAUDHARI : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) the number of rehabilitation Centres for miners with their location opened so far in India ;

(b) the details of facilities which these centres provide for the benefit of the miners ;

(c) the approximate number of miners to be benefited by these centres ; and

(d) the number and places where such centres are likely to be established in future ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI HATHI) : (a) Under the Mica Mines Labour Welfare Fund, one Rehabilitation Centre exist at Tisri in Bihar. Under the Coal Mines Labour Welfare Fund, no independent Rehabilitation Centre has so far been opened. Two Small Rehabilitation Centres attached to the Central Hospitals at Dhanbad and Asansol, however, are functioning.

(b) Facilities of tailoring and basket making exist at the Centre at Tisri. The Centres attached to the Central Hospitals at Dhanbad and Asansol provide treatment facilities like active exercises, infrared and Ultraviolet rays, electrical stimulation, massage, paraffin bath and exercises, radium heat bath and also occupational therapy.

(c) At the Centre at Tisri, about 48 miners, and at the Centres attached to the two Central Hospitals, about 8,000 patients, are benefited every year.

(d) Three Rehabilitation Centres, one each at Tisri in Bihar, at Sidhabari in West Bengal and at Chhindwara in Madhya Pradesh are proposed to be established,