

(c) whether Government propose to decide Goa's future through elections to be held in 1967 or through a one-man Commission?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs and Minister of Defence Supplies in the Ministry of Defence (Shri Hathi):** (a) and (b). Yes; Government have seen such a press report.

(c) Decisions have yet to be taken regarding certain steps in connection with the determination of the future of Goa. It is not proposed to appoint a Commission to go into this question.

#### Exploration for Oil in West Bengal

**3192. Shri Subodh Hansda:**  
**Shri S. C. Samanta:**  
**Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:**  
**Shri M. L. Dwivedi:**

Will the Minister of **Petroleum and Chemicals** be pleased to state:

(a) whether exploration of natural oil in West Bengal has started;

(b) if so, since when the drilling operations are going on; and

(c) the result of the drilling?

**The Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals (Shri O. V. Alagesan):**  
 (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). Exploratory drilling for oil in West Bengal was started in 1957 by the Indo-Stanvac Petroleum Project (a joint venture of the Government of India and Standard Vacuum Oil Company) but abandoned in 1960, as it proved unfruitful. The Oil and Natural Gas Commission have re-started the exploration and the first well has been spudded in on the 18th instant.

#### विद्रोही नागा

**3193. श्री विभूति मिश्र:** क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि विद्रोही नागा और विद्रोही मिजो कछार जिले के

हेलाकंडा सब-डिवीजन में गुट बना कर घूम रहे हैं और वहां की जनता को परेशान कर रहे हैं; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस मामले में क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय में उपसत्री (श्री विद्याचरण शुक्ल) :

(क) हेलाकंडी सब-डिवीजन में नागा-विद्रोहियों की गतिविधि के बारे में कोई सूचना नहीं है। किन्तु मिजो नेशनल फ्रंट से सम्बन्धित विद्रोहियों ने इस क्षेत्र के गांवों की जनता को कुछ परेशान किया।

(ख) सुरक्षा के यथा सम्भव उपाय किये गये हैं।

#### High Tension Insulation Factory

**3194. Shri Buta Singh:**  
**Shri Narasimha Reddy:**

Will the Minister of **Labour, Employment and Rehabilitation** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the employees of the High Tension Insulation Factory, Ramehir went on strike for several days recently;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action, if any, taken by Government in regard to their various demands?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Labour, Employment and Rehabilitation (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):**  
 (a) to (c). It is presumed the member refers to the High Tension Insulation Factory near Ranchi in Bihar. The matter falls in the State sphere and no information is available.