

"Choose Your Career" Campaign

420. Shrimati Maimoona Sultan: Will the Minister of Labour, Employment and Rehabilitation be pleased to state:

(a) whether in June last, the Directorate of Employment and Training Delhi launched a campaign entitled "Choose Your Career";

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) the success achieved; and

(d) whether similar campaigns are also to be launched in other parts of the country?

The Minister of Labour, Employment and Rehabilitation (Shri Jagjivan Ram): (a) Yes.

(b) The Directorate of Employment, Training and Technical Education had launched the "Choose your Career" campaign from 6th June to 15th June, 1966 in Delhi. The campaign was conducted at 7 centres in Delhi, at Employment Exchange, New Delhi; Employment Exchange, Pusa; Industrial Training Institute, Arab-ki-Sarai; Employment Exchange, Daryaganj; Employment Exchange, Subzi-mandi; University Employment Information and Assistance Bureau, Delhi and Gandhi Memorial Multipurpose Higher Secondary School, Shahdara. The timings were 9.30 to 12.30 in the morning and 5.00 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the afternoon. Detailed information on careers, course open to the students in India and particularly in Delhi was provided at each of the centres.

(c) Nearly 5,000 persons visited the centres and availed of the careers' counselling facilities provided.

(d) This programme is arranged annually in the States of Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh. The programme has been recommended to other States. It is for them to organise similar programmes.

Pak. Bombs

421. Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:
Shri Bade:
Shri Hukam Chand
Kachhavalaya:
Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian border patrols recovered some highly explosive Pakistani bombs from a Pillar in Utia Village under Chapra Police Station in Nadia District (West Bengal) on the 22nd June, 1966 and if so, the number thereof;

(b) the time for which they had been lying there; and

(c) the number of persons arrested in this connection?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Vidya Charan Shukla): (a) There is no village called Utia in Chapra Police Station. However, on 22nd February, 1966 at 14.30 hours, a person of the locality found a ration bag containing 8 ordinary country-made crackers near a boundary pillar in village Sutia, Police Station Chapra and informed the Police Station authorities about it. These crackers were taken over by the police.

(b) They are presumed to have been left there by criminals the previous night.

(c) No person has been apprehended in this case.

Retirement Age

422. Shri P. C. Borooah: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was a proposal to bring down the age of retirement for Government servants from 58 years to 55 years with a view to tackling the problem of surplus staff; and