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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Public Service Commission has taken any decision regarding the introduction of regional languages as media for UPSC Examinations; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS: (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b). So far, it has been decided to give an option to the candidates appearing at the combined competitive Examination for recruitment to the IAS etc. to be held this year to write their answers in two of the compulsory subjects viz. Essay and General Knowledge, in any one of the languages mentioned in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution, besides English.

Flight Kitchen by Air India at Santa Cruz, Bombay

1793. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: SHRI V. NARASIMHA RAO: SHRI A. SREEDHARAN: DR. SUSHILA NAYAR: SHRI B.K. DASCHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Air India has decided to set up its own flight kitchen at Santa Cruz, Bombay to enable it to enforce quality control and last minute uplift of additional meals;

(b) if so, the details of the scheme; and

(c) the financial implications involved therein ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The scheme envisages the setting up of an uptodate, self-sufficient flight kitchen which would be able to cater to Air-India's present and future requirements as well as the requirements of Indian Airlines. It might also be possible to meet the requirements of some foreign carries operating through Bombay.

(c) The flight kitchen and its ancillary services will be housed in certain existing buildings at Santa Cruz. The estimated additional expenditure on the scheme is Rs.31.50 lakh. The flight kitchen is expected to be an economically viable unit.

हड़ताल करने वाले केन्द्रीय सरकार के कर्म-चारियों को फिर से नौकरी पर रखना

- 1794. श्री रामावतार शास्त्री :
 - श्री स० मो० बनर्जी :
 - श्री देवकीनन्दन पाटोदिया :
 - श्री क० मि० मधुकर :
 - श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी :
 - श्री रणजीत सिंह :
 - श्री जगन्नाथ राव जोशी :
 - श्री सूरज भान ः
 - श्री राम गोपल शालवाले :
 - श्री बृज भूषण लालः
 - श्री श्रद्धाकर सूपकारः
 - श्री ज्योतिर्मय बसुः
 - श्री वि० नरसिम्हा राव :
 - श्री वासुदेवन नायर :
 - श्री नाथूराम अहिरवार :
 - श्री दी० चं० शर्माः

क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे किः

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सितम्बर, 1968 की हड़ताल में भाग लेने वाले सरकारी कर्मचारियों के प्रति उदार व्यवहार बरतने की उद्घोषणा के बाबजूद अभी बहुत से कर्मचारी सेवा से बर्खास्त और निलम्बित हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो ऐसे कर्मचारियों की संख्या कितनी हैं;

(ग) उन्हें उनके मूल पदों पर वापस न लेने के क्या कारण हैं; और (घ) उनके मामले में सरकार का विचार क्या कार्यवाही करने का है ?

गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री विद्याचरण शुक्ल): (क) और (ख). अब तक की उपलब्ध सूचना के आधार पर सितम्बर, 1968 की हड़ताल में भाग लेने के कारण 33 कर्मचारियों के बर्खास्त किए जाने की सूचना है। उपलब्ध सामग्री के आधार पर, कर्मचारियों की संख्या, जिन्हें निलंबित किया गया किन्तु अभी तक सेवा में बहाल नहीं किया गया, 1173 है।

(ग) और (घ). निलंबित कर्मचारियों की बहाली के बारे में सरकार की नीति ग्रुह मंत्रालय में मंत्री द्वारा 13 मार्च, 1969 और 30 अप्रैल, 1969 को सभा में दिये गए वक्तव्यों में बताई गई है। इस नीति के अनुसार, उन मामलों को छोड़कर जिनमें हिंसा, डराने, धमकाने या सक्रिय रूप से उकसाने की शिकायतें हैं, कर्मचारियों को सेवा में बहाल कर दिया जायेगा। जो कर्मचारी इन शर्तों को पूरा नहीं करते हैं वे सेवा में बहाली के पात्र नहीं है।

Decline in the Number of Ships Coming to Calcutta Port

1795. SHRI RAMAVATAR SHASTRI : SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : SHRI J. M. BISWAS :

Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of ships coming to Calcutta port has declined considerably; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI IQBAL SINGH): (a) and (b). It is a fact that the number of ships visiting Calcutta Port has declined over the past few years. This is due to the fall in the traffic handled at the port. The contributory factors are the recession in trade owing to the slowing down of the economy, fall in the import of foodgrains and project materials and decline in the export of coal and iron ore.

Sending of Scientists from National Laboratories to Work in Industries

1796- SHRI RAMAVATAR SHASTRI: SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: DR. RANEN SEN: SHRI J. M. BISWAS: SHKI P. C. ADICHAN: SHRI R. K. BIRLA : SHRI HARDAYAL DEVGUN : SHRI JAI SINGH : SHRI YAJNA DATT SHARMA :

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are thinking of sending scientists from National Laboratories to 'live with industry' in order to know the problems of the industries;

(b) whether there is a proposal that the study of productive science should be pursued instead of curiosity-based science; and

(c) if so, what steps Government intend to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V. K. R. V. RAO) : (a) to (c). In order to bring the National Laboratories/Institutes and the Industry into closer contact, steps are being taken to identify 50 or 60 important industries and to associate each one of the National Laboratories/Institutes with one or more of these industries. A Committee has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Member (Industry) of the Planning Commission and consisting of representatives of Chemical Industry, Instrument Industry, Engineering Industry. Directorate General of Technical Development, Planning Commission and the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry.

The terms of reference of the Committee are as under :

 To provide guidelines to the National Laboratories/Institutes in planning their programmes; and