

red the dispute to arbitration as per the provisions of the contract.

(c) M/s. Catalysts and Chemicals Inc., Louisville, U.S.A.

(d) and (e). The problem of locating a proper substitute catalyst has been more or less solved but full rated capacity cannot be attained as there are basic deficiencies in the reformer capacity in the plant itself. A catalyst developed by the P&D Division of the Fertiliser Corporation is also expected to meet the requirements on the basis of the results obtained in the pilot plant tests. Further, a scheme for installation of an additional furnace to produce the supplementary gas equivalent to an additional quantity of 40 tonne methanol per day to meet the deficit, is under consideration. It is expected to take about three years to instal and commission the reformer unit.

#### Production of Iron Ore in Dausa Mines in Rajasthan

\*591. SHRI MAHANT DIGVIJAI NATH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that annual production of iron ore in Dausa Mines in Rajasthan is decreasing;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the percentage of pig iron taken out from the ore;

(d) the steps being taken to increase the production; and

(e) the extent to which the production is meeting the demand of the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS (SHRI JAGANATH RAO) : (a) and (b). Presumably the reference is to Nimla Iron Ore Mine near Dausa Railway Station. This Mine is on lease with a private party who is not working it for the last three years, as it is reported that there is no

market for this ore due to heavy transportation charges on account of the long rail lead from the mine to the Port as also the comparatively low grade of ore.

(c) Presumably the Hon'ble Member desires to know the Iron Ore content of the ore. This was reported to be between 60% and 64% when the Nimla Mines were being worked.

(d) In the absence of market for this ore, the question of taking steps to increase production does not arise.

(e) The question does not arise as the Mine is not in production.

#### Strike in Antibiotics Plant at Virbhadra (Rishikesh)

\*592. SHRI SURENDRANATH DWIVEDI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that armed police attacked the striking workers of the Antibiotics Plant at Virbhadra (Rishikesh); and

(b) if so, whether the plant has since been closed down due to these disturbances ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINES AND METALS (SHRI D. R. CHAVAN) : (a) The Police had to use force to bring under control the situation created by the striking workers who had turned violent.

(b) No, Sir.

#### हिमालय क्षेत्र में गंगा नदी पर बाँध

593. श्री महाराज सिंह भारती: क्या सिन्धु तथा विद्युत् मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) हिमालय क्षेत्र में गंगा नदी तथा उसकी सहायक नदियों पर कितने बाँधों का निर्माण किया जायेगा जिनका कि सर्वेक्षण किया जा चुका है ; और

(ख) उनमें से कितनों को चौथी योजना में पूर्ण किया जायेगा अथवा चालू किया जायेगा ?

**सिंचाई तथा विद्युत् मंत्री (डा० कु० ल० राव) :** (क) निम्नलिखित स्कीमों के सम्बन्ध में, जिनमें हिमालयी क्षेत्र में गंगा और इसकी सहायक नदियों पर बांधों का निर्माण शामिल है, सर्वेक्षण और अनुसंधान कार्य पूर्ण हो गया है अथवा उन पर निर्माण कार्य चल रहा है :

स्कीम का नाम	नदी का नाम
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(१) वे स्कीमों, जिनके सम्बन्ध में अनुसंधान कार्य पूर्ण हो गया है ।

1. यमुना चरण-1	यमुना
2. यमुना, चरण-2	टांस (यमुना)
3. रामगंगा	रामगंगा
4. मनेरी भाली, चरण-1	भागीरथी
5. यमुना चरण-4	यमुना
6. लखवार	यमुना
7. त्रियासी	यमुना
8. गिरी, चरण-1	गिरी

(२) वे स्कीमों जिन के सम्बन्ध में अनुसंधान कार्य चल रहा है ।

1. मनेरी, भाली, चरण-2	भागीरथी
2. यमुना, चरण-3 (कियान)	टांस (यमुना)
3. टेहरी	गंगा
4. कोटेश्वर शिवपुरी	गंगा
5. पंचेश्वर	शारदा
6. रामेश्वर	शारदा
7. विशनु प्रयाग	अलखनंदा

(ख) चौथी योजना के दौरान निम्नलिखित पांच स्कीमों के पूर्ण होने की सम्भावना है :—

1. यमुना, चरण-1
2. यमुना, चरण-2

3. रामगंगा
4. मनेरी भाली, चरण-1
5. गिरी, चरण-1

#### Protest by Bank Employees Against Extension of Aiyar Award Operation

\*594. SHRI MUHAMMAD SHERIFF: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several thousand bank employees have protested against the extension of the Aiyar Award operation for one year; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government in regard thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P. C. SETHI) : (a) The All India Reserve Bank Employees' Association organised a day's token strike on 30th April, 1969, to protest against the extension of the Aiyar Award for one year with effect from 5th April, 1969.

(b) The All India Reserve Bank Employee's Association passed a resolution in May, 1969 that earnest efforts should be made to arrive at a negotiated settlement with the Bank. The Reserve Bank has advised the Association that it would be prepared to discuss with its representatives, requests for concessions within the framework of the Award and also the cases of employees who had not received any benefit or received only a negligible increase in emoluments under the Aiyar Award.

#### असुरक्षित भवनों में स्थित सरकारी बफ़्तर

595. श्री रामावतार शर्मा : क्या स्वास्थ्य तथा परिवार नियोजन और निर्माण, आवास तथा नगरीय विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारत सरकार के कुछ मंत्रालय तथा उनके कुछ दफ्तर अभी भी ऐसे भवनों में स्थित हैं जिन्हें असुरक्षित घोषित किया जा चुका है ;