

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) The rules have since been finalised and are likely to be issued very shortly;

(b) it is proposed to bring the new rules into force after a few months from the date of their issue.

Shri Hem Raj: May I know whether any date has been fixed, when these new rules would come into force?

Shri Datar: 1st October, 1962 would be the date on which they would come into operation.

Allotment of Billets

***1448. Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:** Will the Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that while granting import licences for re-rolling equipment or machinery to the various re-rollers, conditions were imposed that the increased capacity due to the installation of the imported equipment or machinery will not be recognised for the purpose of allotment of billets or scrap;

(b) the names of such re-rollers in whose cases exception was made regarding imposition of these conditions; and

(c) the reason for making such exceptions?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) Yes, Sir, since most of these cases were of replacement of existing mills.

(b) None, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : श्रीमन्, क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि रोलिंग मिल्स की इस प्रकार की शिकायतें मिली हैं? यदि हाँ, तो उनको दूर करने के लिए क्या प्रयत्न किया गया ?

श्री प्र० च० सेठी : ऐसी शिकायतों की जानकारी नहीं है, लेकिन जी मौजूदा

मिलें हैं उन्हीं का रिप्लेसमेंट किया गया है, और ऐसी सूरत में उनको अधिक बिलेट्स एलाट करने का सवाल पैदा नहीं होता ।

International Geological Congress

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Shri P. K. Deo:
*1449. { **Shri Kohor:**
 { **Shrimati Shashank Manjari:**

Will the Minister of Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the International Geological Congress is going to meet in New Delhi in the near future;

(b) if so, when and which countries are going to participate; and

(c) what other programmes will be taken up in regard to this Congress?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Mines and Fuel (Shri Hajarnavis): (a) and (b). The XXII Session of the International Geological Congress will be held in New Delhi between 14th and 22nd December, 1964. Being an international organisation, it is anticipated that geologists, geophysicists, geochemists, mining engineers and representatives of geological and allied institutions from all over the world will participate in the deliberations of the Congress. So far, 68 countries have responded to the invitation.

(c) Besides the meetings of the 16 sections of the Congress, the various Commissions their sub-commissions and committees of the Congress and other affiliated international scientific institutions, which will be held between 14th and 22nd December, 1964, 26 excursions covering most of the geologically interesting areas in India will be arranged both before and after the Session. An exhibition of important Indian rocks, minerals, fossils, maps and publications will also be arranged as a part of the Session.

Mr. Speaker: There is a short notice question. Shri Koya.—The hon. Member is absent.