

ing countries like Maldives, Seychelles, Kenya, Tanganyika, East Pakistan and Ceylon.

- (c). 5,83,083 M. tons,
- (d). Rs. 107,88,874.

**Contract Labour**

**2882. Shri K. N. Pande:** Will the Minister of **Labour and Employment** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Labour Bureau has completed its enquiry into the conditions and problems of contract labour; and
- (b) if so, what is its report?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Labour and Employment and for Planning (Shri C. R. Pattabhi Raman):** (a) and (b). The Labour Bureau has completed enquiry into the conditions and problems of contract labour in five industries/establishments, where the problem of contract labour is most acute, and published the reports in the issues of the *Indian Labour Gazette* *Indian Labour Journal* as under:

1. Iron Ore Mines June 1958 issue
2. Ports January 1960 issue.
3. Petroleum refineries & Oilfields August 1959 issue.
4. Railway March 1960 issue.
5. Buildings & Construction industry— November 1961 issue.

These reports contain adequate information regarding the wage structure of contract labour in these industries/establishments, the nature and extent of employment and working and living conditions of labour. These publications are available in the Parliament Library.

**High Altitude Laboratory in Kodaikanal**

**2883. Shri Umanath:** Will the **Prime Minister** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a proposal to set up a High Altitude Laboratory at Kodaikanal in South India arising out

of the work of the Atomic Energy Commission;

- (b) if so, the definite steps taken to set up the same; and
- (c) when the work is proposed to be started and when it is likely to be completed?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** (a). Yes. It is proposed to set up a High Altitude Cosmic Ray Laboratory at Kodaikanal in South India.

(b) A suitable site for the Laboratory is being selected in consultation with the Government of Madras.

(c). The project is still in its initial stages and it is too early to indicate the dates by which construction of the Laboratory will be started or completed.

**Lalmatia and Hurra Collieries**

- 2884.** { **Shri Marandi:**  
          { **Shri H. C. Soy:**

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

- (a) the number of labourers employed at present at Lalmatia and Hurra Collieries in Santhal Parganas District in Bihar;
- (b) the rate of wages paid to them and other facilities, if any, accorded to them;
- (c) how many times the collieries have been visited by the labour officer and the inspector of the area during 1961; and
- (d) the findings of their inspection and action taken thereon?

**The Minister of Labour in the Ministry of Labour and Employment (Shri Hathi):** (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha.