

Reports to this effect appeared in the newspapers.

(c) There is no justification for any agitation.

**Licences for manufacture of Penicillin and Polio Vaccine**

4054. SHRI K. RAMAMURTHY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the names of units in private, joint and cooperative sector which have sought licences for the manufacture of Penicillin and polio-vaccines ; and

(b) the details of the quantum of these medicines likely to be produced by each one of these units ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R.K. JAI-CHANDRA SINGH) : (a) and (b). The names of the companies who have applied for licence for manufacture of Penicillin along with the details of capacity are given below. No company has applied for licence for polio vaccine.

Name of the Company (Private Sector)		Capacity (in MMU)
1	2	3
1.	Standard Medical Leasing Ltd.	— 1,200
2.	Kesar Enterprises Ltd.	— 1,000
3.	I. A. Modi	— 1,000
4.	Dr. Reddy's Labs.	— 1,000
5.	G. Rama Raju	— 1,000
6.	Cepharm Medical Leasing Ltd.	— 1,000
7.	Ferro Alloys Corporation Ltd.	— 1,000

1	2	3
Joint Sector		
1.	Gujarat Lyka Organics Ltd.	— 1,000
2.	Southern Petrochemicals Industries Corporation (SPIC)	— 1,000

**Losses in Eastern Coalfields Ltd. and Bharat Coking Coal Limited**

4055. SHRI A. JAYAMOHAN : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether out of six coal producing subsidiaries, the Eastern Coalfields Ltd. and the Bharat Coking Coal Ltd., are continuously incurring losses ;

(b) if so, steps proposed to minimise such losses ; and

(c) whether in view of the alternative sources of energy having been found successful, Government propose temporary abandonment of the losing mines ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Various measures being adopted to increase production and improve productivity in the coal companies include opening of new mines, fuller utilisation of mining capacity already created, more efficient use and better maintenance of equipment, stricter control of inventory and economy in the use of stores, better use of manpower by controlling absenteeism and enforcing discipline and identification of surplus workers and their redeployment after suitable training, better availability of inputs like explosives, timber etc., reduction in pit-head stocks by faster movement and more systematic distribution, expeditious and timely completion of new projects and improvement in law and order situation.

The Coal India Limited and Eastern Coalfields Limited have been directed to