

tain categories of staff, relaxation of qualifications for promotion, one-time upward movement, creation of new posts, raising the age of superannuation to 65 years, etc.

(d) As a result of the boycott by the laboratory staff, some of the practical examinations in colleges could not be held as scheduled. Students were also put to inconvenience due to the agitation of the library staff.

(e) According to information furnished by the University of Delhi, appropriate action has been taken to redress several grievances of the library and laboratory staff. The redressal of grievances of University staff will be a continuing process. However, the University is not in a position to accept some of the demands made by these employees.

As a result of the action taken by the University, the library staff called off their agitation on 27.3.90 and the libraries are functioning normally. However, the laboratory staff have not resumed work yet. The University has informed the Principals of Colleges that the decision of the Executive Council regarding 'no work no pay' may be enforced. Meanwhile, the University is taking action to reschedule the practical examinations which were postponed as a result of the agitation of laboratory staff.

#### **Rebuilding of Semiconductor Complex**

4931. SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated cost of rebuilding the Semiconductor Complex Limited, Chandigarh;

(b) the time frame over which the revival is to take place and the annual estimated costs; and

(c) the future plans for Semiconductor activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) and (b). The proposal for rebuilding Semiconductor Complex Limited (SCL) is under consideration.

(c) Government of India has given high priority to this area; a high-level National Microelectronic Council set up by Department of Electronics plans and coordinates the growth of semiconductor activities in the country. Besides SCL, Chandigarh, work is carried-out in defence research laboratories, other national laboratories particularly of CSIR, leading academic institution, and in public and private sector units on different aspects of semiconductor research and production.

#### **PSLV Launching**

4932. SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated cost involved in the development of PSLV (Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle);

(b) the month/year by which the satellite launch vehicle is expected to be launched; and

(c) the direct benefits anticipated therefrom?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON):