

[*Translation*]**Tungsten Deposits Found in Rajasthan**

4068. SHRI VIRDHI CHANDER JAIN
Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be
pleased to state:

(a) whether huge deposits of tungsten
have been found in the Pali district of Rajas-
han;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the purpose for which this mineral is
to be utilised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINIS-
TRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRIMATI
RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) and (b). The
Geological Survey of India has recently
explored a small tungsten ore occurrence in
Padarala-Bijapur areas, Pali district of Ra-
jasthan which has an estimated resource of
65 tonnes of tungsten trioxide. GSI is also
carrying out investigations over the skarns
hosting tungsten mineralisation in other
parts of Pali district.

(c) Tungsten is mainly used in Arma-
ment industry manufacturing of cutting tools
and electronics industry.

**Purchase of Old Sponge Iron Plant
from West Germany**

4069. DR. CHINTA MOHAN:
SHRI BALWANT SINGH RA-
MOOWALIA:

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be
pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided
to purchase old sponge iron plant from West
Germany;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard;

(c) the reasons for purchasing this old
plant;

(d) the actual prices of this plant; and

(e) the price of the new plant in the
international market?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND
MINES (SHRI M. L. FOTEDAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e). Do not arise.

[*English*]**Science-Kit in Secondary Schools**

4071. PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ: Will
the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DE-
VELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey was made to
ensure that Science Kit was available and
used in all the Government Secondary
Schools; and

(b) if so, the details of the Survey?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND
CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI
KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b). NCERT has
designed a Composite Science Kit for pri-
mary classes and for upper primary classes.
No science kit has been designed for sec-
ondary classes. For secondary classes each
school is expected to have a laboratory with
equipment specified by the concerned
Board of Secondary Education. Information
regarding the laboratory facilities for various
Science subjects as also combined labora-
tories was last sought during the Third All
India Educational Survey as on 31.12.1973.
The information regarding the use of the
laboratories was not sought in this survey. A