

**Petition from the Workers of KIM**

2054. SHRI SIVAJI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has received a mass petition from the workers of KIM, Kalta (Rourkela Steel Plant), Orissa about the management's blatant violation of even High Court's order; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to settle the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI KARIA MUNDA): (a) A copy of the letter addressed to the Deputy Director, Gorakhpur Labour Department (Central) and supported by the signatures/thumb impressions of a number of persons, presumably workers of KIM, Kalta, had been forwarded to the Minister of Steel and Mines. One of the several demands made on the Deputy Director, Gorakhpur Labour Department, in this letter was to accept the stay order of Orissa High Court relating to repatriation|retrenchment of Gorakhpur labour at KIM, Kalta.

(b) It was revealed that the Orissa High Court had not passed any stay order against the management of the Rourkela Steel Plant. As such the question of any violation of the stay order by the Rourkela Steel Plant did not arise. Subsequently a contempt petition moved in the High Court alleging violation of the Stay Order by the management of Rourkela Steel Plant was also dropped after Management's appearance to contest it. It is also learnt that the petition filed by one batch of Gorakhpur labourers has since been dismissed by the High Court.

**Conversion of Sambalpur Station of A.I.R. into a full-fledged Station**

2055. SHRI GANANATH PRAHDAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to convert the Radio Station at Sambalpur into a full-fledged Radio Station.

(b) whether even after setting up of T.V. centre at Sambalpur Government has not considered it necessary to set up a permanent studio at Sambalpur for A.I.R. and Doordarshan; and

(c) if so, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Work on the construction of permanent studios for A.I.R. Sambalpur is in progress. As regards T.V., Studio facilities are already available in Cuttack which are being utilised for capsuling programmes for Sambalpur. At Sambalpur also, adequate filming facilities on movie Cameras and portapacks have been made available to provide local participation and local colour in the programmes. The studios at Cuttack will also be utilised to produce programmes for the Cuttack TV transmitter proposed to be set up during the Sixth Plan.

(c) Does not arise.

**Programmes on 'Internal Emergency' on A.I.R. and T.V.**

2056. PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether since the inception of the new Janata Government at the Centre, AIR and Doordarshan have done any programmes—talks, discussion, features, etc.—on the 'Internal Emergency' in India and its implications experiences, consequences, etc.;

(b) if so, full facts thereof

(c) whether Government propose to continue arranging such programmes, and if so, in what direction and manner and for how long; and

(d) if not, why not?