

(ग) अगर इन कर्मचारियों की संख्या पर्याप्त नहीं है, तो इसके लिए कौन उत्तरदायी है और इसके लिए उत्तरदायी व्यक्ति के विरुद्ध क्या कार्यवाही की जाएगी ?

ऊर्जा मंत्री (श्री पी० रामचन्द्रन) : (क) से (ग) सूचना, एकल को जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

U.K. Government's Offer to Modernise Indian Coal mines

8361. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether U.K. Government have offered aid for modernising Indian coal mines; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) and (b). A Coal Mission of the Ministry of Overseas Development, U.K. visited the coal mining areas in India in April, 1978. This Mission in their report, *inter alia*, recommended the use of modern mechanised methods of mining in order to increase the rate of increase in coal production. It also referred to the possibility to giving further financial aid, when required, for procuring inputs from the U.K. for raising the level of production.

Plane Crash at Lohagaon on 28-3-1979

8362. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an IAF Plane crashed at Lohagaon Airport on the 28th March, 1979; and

(b) if so, the causes of the crash?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) and (b). An

IAF aircraft crashed about 500 meters to the east of Poona Airfield on 28th March 1979. A Court of Inquiry has been ordered to investigate the cause of the accident. This Inquiry is in progress. However, since the accident relates to an operational training exercise, it will not be possible to disclose any further details.

Suspension of Publication of certain Newspapers

8364. SHRI NIHAR LASKAR:

(SHRI P. M. SAYEED:

SHRI M. V. CHANDRA-SHEKHARA MURTHY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether some of the major newspapers are not being published for the last one or two months;

(b) whether "The National Herald" and "The Hindustan Times" are out of publication for the last two months; and

(c) if so, what is the main reason for the same?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) to (c). According to information available, "The National Herald" is not being published since sometime in March 1979 and "The Hindustan Times" was not published for some time in March-April, 1979. Strike/lock out due to dispute in the matter of wages, alleged mismanagement etc. are stated to be the reasons for non-publication of "The National Herald", while "The Hindustan Times" was not published for a short while due to strike of its employees mainly for enhancement in their wages and payment of bonus.