

30th November, 1972 in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 257, as a result of investigations carried out by the Geological Survey of India, reserves of about 44 million tonnes of Oxidised and Unoxidised Ore with total-iron content ranging between 31 and 42 per cent have been estimated in four deposits at Cheruppa, Eliyettimala, Nanminda and Naduvallur in Kozhikode District of Kerala. Investigation in the neighbouring Alampara deposit is in progress which is expected to be completed by the end of the field season 1972-73. A view on exploitation of these deposits can be taken only after the investigation of the Alampara deposit has been completed and the report is received by Government.

#### Working Population in Kerala

4433 SHRIMATI BHARGAVI THANKAPPAN Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state

(a) the total working population of Kerala who are either in Government Service or in semi-Government Service under Central and State Governments; and

(b) the total number of unemployed persons registered with the Employment Exchanges?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R K KHADILKAR) (a) The available information is given in the statement below —

#### STATEMENT

According to the information collected through the Employment Market Information Programme of the Directorate General of Employment and Training the number of persons employed in Government service and semi-Government Service (Central and State) etc., in Kerala was as under, —

Sector	Number of persons employed as on 31st March 1972
Central Government	48,465
State Government	1,88,031
Quasi Government* (Central and State)	81,074
Local Bodies	19,538
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,37,108</b>

\*Quasi Government establishments comprise both Central Quasi and State Quasi establishments

(b) The number of job-seekers (all of whom are not necessarily unemployed) on the Live Register of the Employment Exchanges in Kerala on 31st October, 1972 was 4,34,165

#### ESIC Hospitals in Kerala

4434 SHRIMATI BHARGAVI THANKAPPAN Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state

(a) the number of Employees' State Insurance Hospitals in the State of Kerala at present,

(b) the number of them being run in rented buildings and the total

monthly rent paid to the owners of these buildings, and

(c) the number of Hospitals proposed to be opened in the State in the next three years?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI R K KHADILKAR) The Employers' State Insurance Corporation have furnished the following information

(a) Seven.

(b) Nil

(c) Four