

**Closure of Labour Depot at Gorakhpur**

4161. SHRI NARSINGH NARAIN PANDEY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether due to nationalisation of coking coal mines the Labour Depot at Gorakhpur is going to be closed, if so, the reaction of the Government; and

(b) whether Government are thinking of any scheme for the Gorakhpuri labours for their employment in coal mines, if so, the proposal thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI RAGHUNATHA REDDY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The matter is under the consideration of the Government.

**Releasing of Limestone Areas reserved for steel Industries**

4162. SHRI R. V. BADE: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to release limestone areas kept reserved for steel industries?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI SUBODH HANSDA): No, Sir.

**Companies against Refreshments served to students of Delhi Schools participating in Republic Day Parade, 1973**

4163. SHRI AMBESH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of schools of Delhi Administration, Municipal Corporation, Delhi and New Delhi Municipal

Committee, separately, participating in the Republic Day Parade, 1973;

(b) the amount incurred for the refreshment served to them;

(c) whether Government have received any complaint about the refreshment served to them; and

(d) if so, the action taken by Government against the Officers who are responsible for this case?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM). (a) The following schools in Delhi participated in the Republic Day Parade 1973:

(i) Government Schools	14
(ii) Aided Schools	17
(iii) Public School	1
(iv) Children Home	1
Total	53

(b) Rs. 8,744.75

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

**Expenditure on Indian Embassy in Australia during 1971-72**

4164 SHRI HUKAM CHAND KACHWAI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of expenditure incurred on the Ambassador and Embassy of India in Australia during the financial year 1971-72;

(b) whether the expenditure is increasing year by year; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government to decrease the enhancing expenditure?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) The expenditure incurred on the Ambassador was Rs. 1.08 lakhs and on the Embassy of India in Australia was Rs. 14.81 lakhs.