

**Strike Notice by Andaman Forest Union and P.W.D. Workers' Union**

814. SHRI P. P. ESTHOSE:  
SHRI A. K. GOPALAN:  
SHRI BHAGABAN DAS:  
SHRI GANESH GHOSH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 9298 on the 2nd May, 1963 regarding the strike notice by Andaman Forest Union and P.W.D. Workers' Union and state:

(a) the demands conceded by Government;

(b) the demands under examination of Government; and

(c) when the examination is likely to be completed and reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI HATHI):  
(a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No LT-1434|68].

(c) The examination is likely to take some more time as the proposal involves inter-ministerial consultations.

**Central Board of Forestry**

815. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA:  
Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the subjects discussed by the Central Board of Forestry at its meeting held on the 7th June, 1968 and the decisions taken by it;

(b) whether any plan was discussed by the Board by which the production of exportable commodities could be increased and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any decision was taken to grow in Himachal Pradesh and Kerala such qualities of bamboo which could compete China and Japan in the International market; and

(d) the value of forest export during 1967-68?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE): (a) A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1435 |68].

(b) The Central Board of Forestry has directed that the issue of increasing the production of various minor forest products, with export potential, be discussed at the next Liaison meeting to be held at the Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun.

(c) Decision taken at the previous Board meeting, as given below, was noted:

"The Board finally resolved that suitable steps should be taken by the State Governments/Union Territories Administration to grow those species of bamboos and canes which have an export potential".

(d) The required information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

**Delegations going Abroad**

816. SHRI PREM CHAND VERMA:  
Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Delegations, Ministers, officials or other experts, who went abroad on Government account at the instance of his ministry during 1968 so far;

(b) the countries which were visited in each case and the duration of their visit;

(c) the amount which was spent on each visit as also the foreign exchange involved; and

(d) the precise nature of advantage that accrued to Government as a result of each visit and if any agree-