

[*Translation*]

**Recruitment of Labourers in Western Coalfields Limited**

1913. SHRI HARI BHAI SHANKAR MAHALE: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether complaints have been received by the Government regarding the bogus recruitment of labourers in the Western Coalfields Limited, Nagpur, affecting the retrenchment of a large number of regular labourers there; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard and also the details of the action taken against the erring officials?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI KALYAN SINGH KALVI): (a) and (b). Western Coalfield Limited had recruited certain ex-casuals in accordance with settlements reached with certain Trade Unions. Complaints have been received in WCL from the President, Rashtriya Koyla Khadan Mazdoor Sangh; General Secretary, Western Coalfields Ltd., SC/ST/BC Employees Council; Md. Haneef and seven others of Kanhan Area and Secretary, SC/ST Council, Majri Breach alleging irregularities regarding age, impersonation, seniority of ex-casuals etc., in the matter of recruitment. These complaints are under various stages of investigation. There has been no retrenchment of any regular worker in WCL.

**Symposia by ONGC, Dehradun**

1914. KUMARI UMA BHARATI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of expenditure incurred on symposia/seminars on science organised in Keshav Dev Malviya Petroleum Research

Institute, Dehradun during the last two financial years;

(b) whether research papers in these seminars were read out in Hindi also as per the directive issued by the Government;

(c) if not, the reasons for violating these directives; and

(d) the details of the action proposed to be taken in future in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALVIYA): (a) An expenditure of Rs. 20,000/- and Rs. 20,241/- respectively was spent by Keshava Deva Malviya Institute of Petroleum Exploration on seminars/conference in 1988-89 and 1989-90 respectively.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Scientific & technical officers are being encouraged to write & present technical papers in Hindi, as part of the policy to increase the use of Hindi in official work.

[*English*]

**Demand of Indian Oil Corporation Workers**

1915. SHRI INDRA JIT GUPTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the workers of the Indian Oil Corporation have submitted a memorandum to outlining their long standing demands; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?