

end of the Third Five Year Plan as envisaged?

Shri C. Subramaniam: I am afraid, there may be a slight spill-over into the fourth plan.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: May I know how many more German experts will be needed for this expansion work, and whether it is also a condition that they will send their experts for this particular work in this steel plant?

Shri C. Subramaniam: For the actual expansion work I am unable to give the exact number of German experts who will be required.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: Sir, my question has not been answered.

Mr. Speaker: It has been answered. The hon. Member asked how many more experts will be required and the answer was that it is not possible to give the exact number.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: Is it a condition laid down for this particular work? I want to know whether the country will again be flooded with experts from Germany.

Mr. Speaker: If that is a condition he should have known it.

Shri C. Subramaniam: It is not with reference to the expansion work, it is with reference to the working of the existing plant that a few more experts are required. That is a different question altogether.

Shri Hem Barua: May I know if it is a fact that the Solveen Committee has pointed out certain serious defects in the plant and, if so, whether it is a fact that the West German Government has linked up the question of expansion of the plant with the elimination of those defects, apart from achieving the rated capacity of the plant?

Shri C. Subramaniam: Yes, Sir, certain mechanical defects were pointed out in the plant which was originally supplied, and they have been rectified now.

Shri Hem Barua: What about the administrative defects?

Mr. Speaker: He wanted to know whether the removal of the defects is linked up with the expansion work.

Shri C. Subramaniam: When they have already been rectified, there is no question of linking it up with this.

Oil in Eastern Bihar and West Bengal

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	Dr. P. N. Khan:
	Shri Basumatari:
	Shri S. C. Samanta:
	Shri Indrajit Gupta:
	Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:
	Shri Bhakt Darshan:

Will the Minister of **Mines and Fuel** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that seismic survey and aeromagnetic survey has shown oil-bearing area in Eastern Bihar and West Bengal;

(b) whether it is also a fact that trial drillings were conducted by a West German team; and

(c) if so, when the actual prospecting will start?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Mines and Fuel (Shri Hajarnavis): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). No trial drillings have been conducted so far but a deep exploration well is proposed to be drilled in this area in the near future.

Shri Subodh Hansda: May I know whether it is a fact that certain technical data collected by the STANVAC Co., during their drilling trials in West Bengal has been sent to the Oil and Natural Gas Commission for investigation and further research; if so, what is the result of the research conducted by them?

Shri Hajarnavis: The Canadian Company carried on only aeromagne-

tical survey. That is to be followed up by drilling. No deep drilling has yet been undertaken, but the drillings undertaken so far show that there are certain areas with thickness of sedimentary rocks which would indicate a favourable condition for the occurrence of oil.

Shri Basumatari: May I know whether the terms and conditions have been settled with West Germany; if so, what are the terms and conditions so far as drilling is concerned?

Shri Hajarnavis: Does he want to know the terms of the agreement?

Shri Basumatari: Yes.

Shri Hajarnavis: I do not have the details with me. If the hon. Member writes to me I will convey the information to him.

Shri S. C. Samanta: May I know whether there was any proposal that the Oil and Natural Gas Commission itself will do some drilling work in this area?

Shri Hajarnavis: They will be associated with the task of drilling.

Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad: May I know whether on the experience of a few attempts the survey has been dropped or it is still being continued to find such oil-bearing areas in this region?

Shri Hajarnavis: No, Sir; it has not been dropped. As a matter of fact, as I said, in the Purnea-Kishanganj area we intend to undertake the drilling of a deep well as soon as the equipment is available.

श्री भक्त दर्शन : श्रीमान्, पूर्वी बिहार के वे कौन से क्षेत्र हैं, जिन में इस सम्बन्ध में भ्रष्टी सम्भावनायें पाई गई हैं और जहां पर इस बारे में प्रागे कार्यवाही किये जाने की सम्भावना है ?

श्री हजरतबीस : पूनिया किशनगंज ।

Shri Indrajit Gupta: What is the particular qualification of this West German expert to carry out geophysical study in view of the fact that West Germany itself is not an oil producing country?

Shri Hajarnavis: I am not in a position to give their academic qualifications but I believe they know the theory on the basis of which certain deductions can be made. I also believe they have very good equipments.

श्री प्रिय गुप्त : मिनिस्टर साहब ने बताया है कि चूँकि राक्स वर्गरेह को ड्रिल करने में खर्च बढ़ेगा, इस लिए उस तेल का फायदा नहीं उठाया जा सकता है । मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि बाहर से जो तेल आता है, उस पर कितना खर्च बैठता है और राक्स को ड्रिल कर के जो तेल मिलेगा, उस पर कितना खर्च बैठेगा । इन दोनों में से किस का प्रयोग करना लाभदायक होगा ?

श्री हजरतबीस : मैं ने तो ऐसा नहीं कहा है । मुझे तो खयाल नहीं है कि मैं ने ऐसा जवाब दिया हो ।

श्री प्रिय गुप्त : माननीय मंत्री ने कहा है कि चूँकि वहां राक्स हैं, इस लिए उस तेल को इस्तेमाल नहीं कर सकते ।

प्रध्यक्ष महोदय : प्रार्डर, प्रार्डर । इस सवाल का जवाब देना तो बहुत मुश्किल है । सवालों के दौरान मैं उन दोनों का मुकाबला नहीं हो सकता है ।

Drinking as a Disqualification in Public Services

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Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Bhakt Darshan:
Shri Hem Raj:

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to refer to the reply given