

Shri Indrajit Gupta: In examining the possibilities of location of this new proposed factory, is the Government taking into consideration the fact that about two-third of the existing machine tools produced in this country are installed in the eastern region of India and, therefore, the question of transport of these machines comes in?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Sbri C. Subramaniam): It is mainly intended for export purposes and Kerala is considered to be suitable place for that.

Shri Morarka: What is the contemplated pattern of production in this new factory? May I know whether it is similar to that in Hindustan Machine tools or some new items are contemplated?

Shri P. C. Sethi: There are 1000 standard, medium and heavy machine tools per annum which would be the capacity. It is proposed to manufacture horizontal boring machines, radial drills, production jig borers, jig boring machines and special purpose machines.

Loans for Poor Meritorious Students

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- Shri Surendra Pal Singh:
 - Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
 - Shri P. Kunhan:
 - Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
 - *98. { Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:
 - Shri Bhakt Darshan:
 - Shri S. B. Patil:
 - Shri A. K. Gopalan:
 - Shri Kolla Venkalah:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government are considering a Scheme to give loans to poor meritorious students;

(b) if so, what will be the amount and number of such scholarships; and

(c) the amount allotted to each State for this purpose?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimall): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details are being finalised.

(c) The number of Loan Scholarships to be awarded will depend upon the allotment for the Scheme in the light of the present emergency.

Shri Surendra Pal Singh: May I know whether some interest will be charged on these loans or they will be free of interest, and what will be the mode of repayment?

Dr. K. L. Shrimall: The scheme is being finalised. The loans may be free of interest.

Shri P. Venkatasubbalah: May I know whether these loans will be given to students taking up technical courses only or they will be given to students taking all kinds of courses?

Dr. K. L. Shrimall: All kinds of studies.

श्री विभूति मिश्र : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि इस स्कीम के अन्तर्गत एक मादमी को कितना रुपया कर्ज दिया जायेगा और सरकार ने उस कर्ज के रीयलाइजेशन के बारे में क्या इन्तजाम किया है ?

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Shrimati Savitri Nigam: May I know the number of students who will come under this scheme or be benefited by this scheme, and also the mode of taking back the loan?

प्रधान महोदय : यह तो अभी वर्क आउट किया जा रहा है ।

Shri P. Kunhan: What are the criteria laid down in regard to the economic status for awarding these scholarships?

प्रधान महोदय : उन्होंने कहा है कि यह अभी वर्क आउट किया जा रहा है ।

Shri P. R. Chakraverti: What will be the criteria for fixing up the poverty of eligible students?

Mr. Speaker: Let the scheme be worked out and then answers can be given.

Shri Tulshidas Jadhav: May I know when the details will be finalised?

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: As soon as possible.

Shri Surendra Pal Singh: May I know whether loans will be given to those students who wish to go abroad for specialised studies?

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: No, these loans will be given for studies at home.

श्री प्रिय गुप्त : क्या मन्त्री महोदय यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि लोन देते वक्त दलित वर्ग आदि का भी परिसंख्यन किया जायेगा या पावर्टी (दारिद्र्य) ही इस सम्बन्ध में क्राइटेरियन रहेगा ? गाडियन की इन्कम कितनी होने पर कोई व्यक्ति पूअर कहलायेगा ? किस बुनियाद पर ये लोन्स बांटे जायेंगे ? किस किस यूनिवर्सिटी में प्रो रेटा कितना दिया जायेगा ?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : ये सब सवाल पहले ही किये गये हैं । मिनिस्टर साहब ने कहा है कि इन सब बातों को देखा जा रहा है ।

Shri Priya Gupta: What are the terms of reference of this Committee? किस बुनियाद पर लोन्स दिये जायेंगे ?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : वह तो देखेंगे ।

श्री प्रिय गुप्त : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि रुपया बांटने का क्राइटेरियन क्या सोचा है ?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : मिनिस्टर साहब ने कहा है कि कमेटी को इस बातों पर विचार करने के लिये कहा गया है ।

Shri Narendra Singh Mahida: What amount have they allotted to the State of Gujerat?

Mr. Speaker: That would be seen later on.

Retirement Age of Officers

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 Shri Morarka;
 Shri Gulshan;
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 Shri Prakash Vir Shastri;
 Shri A. V. Raghavan;
 Shri Pottekkatt;
 Shri Inder J. Malhotra;

Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are actively considering the question of raising the retirement age of different categories of officers; and

(b) if so, when a final decision is expected to be taken?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) and (b). The matter is under consideration.

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: Is the Government looking at this matter now from a new angle in view of the national emergency?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): Whether there is a national emergency or not this matter has to be considered speedily, but in the present situation perhaps it would be still more necessary that experienced hands should be kept on for a longer period.

Shri S. M. Banerjee and Dr. L. M. Singhvi rose—

Mr. Speaker: Shri Banerjee. Dr. Singhvi did not stand up earlier.

Dr. L. M. Singhvi: I stood up but my hon. friend, Shri Kamath, was more alert.