

श्री यशपाल सिंह : जैसा कि ग्रानरेबल मिनिस्टर ने बतलाया है कि पबलिक इंटरैस्ट में नहीं है, तो क्या कोई भी मिलैटरी प्रीपेरेशन छिपाना पबलिक इंटरैस्ट को सर्व कर सकता है ?

**Mr. Speaker:** It is theoretical.

**Shri Narendra Singh Mahida:** May I know whether the modernisation will be in the communist way or the Western way? (*Laughter*).

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, order. It should not be taken so lightly.

**Shri Tyagi:** The hon. Minister has said that it is not in the public interest to give the details. I would not like to seek any information with regard to the details. But I would like to have this information whether some practical steps have already been taken and whether the Minister will take the responsibility? In future, if there is any lack of ammunition or arms, then, will the Minister be responsible personally for it? We do not want the details.

**Mr. Speaker:** It is not a new responsibility.

**Shri Y. B. Chavan:** In the sense and to the extent which any Defence Minister can be responsible, yes.

#### Report of Mahalanobis Committee

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{ **Shri P. R. Chakraverti:**  
 { **Shri Bibhuti Mishra:**  
 \*230. { **Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:**  
 { **Shri Ramshekhar Prasad**  
 { **Singh:**

Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Mahalanobis Committee on the distribution of national income has submitted its report to Government; and

(b) if so, the main findings of the Committee?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Labour and Employment and for Planning (Shri C. R. Pattabhi Raman):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Shri P. R. Chakraverti:** In view of the importance attached to the findings of this report, will Government persuade the learned committee to come out with the result of their findings as soon as possible?

**The Minister of Labour and Employment and Planning (Shri Nanda):** Yes, we have been in touch with the chairman and the other members of the committee, and we have requested them to expedite the report.

**Shri P. R. Chakraverti:** In view of the expectations raised in the minds of the people by the Planning Commission, can we at least expect that before the third year of the Third Plan elapses, we can have in our possession the findings of the Committee?

**Shri Nanda:** The Chairman has told me that he would be in a position to place the report in the hands of the Planning Commission before the end of this session of Parliament?

**Shri P. R. Patel:** A year ago the *Indian Express* wrote an editorial giving the findings of the Mahalanobis Committee. That being so, how is the Government not in possession of the findings of the Committee?

**Shri Nanda:** There are no findings of the Committee as yet.

**Dr. Ranen Sen:** Is it a fact that an interim report has been submitted to the Government by the Committee?

**Shri Nanda:** No, Sir.

**Shri Kashi Ram Gupta:** What are the reasons for the extraordinary delay which is unexpected?

**Shri Nanda:** It is an extraordinary difficult and complex subject.

**Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:** Is it a fact that this Committee wanted some more powers in the shape of terms of reference from Government, as for example, to go into the books and accounts to assess the real situation?

If so, have Government given it those powers?

**Shri Nanda:** All that they asked for was to be in a position to go into the question of concentration of economic power also. That was permitted.

**Research in NEFA Operations**

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- \*23L { **Shri D. C. Sharma:**  
**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:**  
**Shri Bhakt Darshan:**  
**Shri Bhagwat Jha Asad:**  
**Shri Yashpal Singh:**

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 107 on the 21st January, 1963 and state the progress made so far in research studies of the war operations in NEFA area during October-November, 1962?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Defence (Shri D. E. Chavan):** The team of officers deputed to carry out research studies has since completed the field work. The report is now under compilation.

**Shri D. C. Sharma:** By what time will the report of the team be out, and will it be placed on the Table of the House?

**The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan):** I do not think the report can be placed on the Table of the House.

**Shri D. C. Sharma:** May I know if the Historical Division of the Ministry of Defence is also collaborating with these officers in the preparation of this report, or only these officers are engaged in its preparation?

**Shri Y. B. Chavan:** This is done by the officers who, really speaking, are technically qualified to study this question, who are from the Research and Development Organisation, whose special job is to do the evaluation of this weapons work. They are doing this work.

श्री भक्त दर्शन : श्रीमन्, इस प्रश्न में पूछा गया था कि बार प्रीपैरेन्स इन नेफा के बारे में क्या जांच की गई, तो मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि यह जांच केवल शस्त्रों के सम्बन्ध में थी या जिन अधिकारियों ने गलतियाँ कीं, उन के बारे में भी जांच की गई है ।

**Shri Y. B. Chavan:** That is a different matter about which the Prime Minister spoke once. That military appraisal is a different subject.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Is this inquiry the same as the inquiry which the Prime Minister promised to both Houses of Parliament in November last,—an inquiry into the state of military unpreparedness in the face of the Chinese invasion, or is it a separate matter? If that inquiry is not being conducted along with this when will that come?

**Shri Y. B. Chavan:** So far as I know, it is the same thing.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Is it the same or different?

**Shri Y. B. Chavan:** I referred to two inquiries, of which one was the military appraisal done by the military officers. This was done by the weapons evaluation group who belong to the Research and Development Organisation. It is a rather technical type of inquiry.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** My question related to the inquiry into the military unpreparedness in NEFA which the Prime Minister promised to have undertaken. You, Sir, were here at that time. You will remember it. Is this inquiry the same as that or is it different from that?

**Mr. Speaker:** He has said it is the same.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** How can it be the same?

**Shri Ranga:** The other inquiry is into the failure to resist the aggression.