

**Railway Research, Designs and Standards Organisation**

\*543. **Shri Rananajaya Singh:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railway Research, Designs and Standards Organisation is being shifted from Simla to Lucknow;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the estimated expenditure involved in the construction of the new buildings for office and residential quarters for the staff in Lucknow?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):** (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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The Research Directorate of the Research, Designs and Standards Organisation has all along been located at Lucknow. The Mechanical and Civil Engineering Directorates as also some other miscellaneous Wings of this Organisation which were located at Simla, are also now being shifted to Lucknow.

The Research, Designs and Standards Organisation performs the important function of technical consultants to the Indian Railways. The whole organisation is being integrated at Lucknow to bring about greater efficiency in its functioning. Simla, apart from being inconveniently situated for undertaking research work, could not provide adequate accommodation required for the various Wings of this Organisation. Further, the office and residential accommodation provided by the Punjab Government at Simla was needed by them for their own requirements. At Lucknow, where the Organisation is now being integrated, the requisite land is already available with the Railways close to the existing Research Centre.

The expenditure on the construction of the new buildings for office and residential accommodation for officers

and staff at Lucknow is estimated to be Rs. 179.60 lakhs.

**श्री रणजय सिंह :** लखनऊ में इस समय जो रेलवे कर्मचारी हैं, क्या उन के लिए वहां पर पर्याप्त मकान हैं ?

**श्री शामनाथ :** जो लोग इस वक़्त लखनऊ में काम कर रहे हैं, उन के लिए एकामोडेशन बनाने की तजवीज़ है और जो लोग शिमला से शिफ्ट होंगे, उन के लिए भी तमाम एकामोडेशन प्रोवाइड की जायेगी।

**श्री रणजय सिंह :** ये सब मकान कब तक बन जायेंगे ?

**श्री शामनाथ :** इसके दो फ़ेज़िज़ हैं। कंस्ट्रक्शन का काम शुरू हो चुका है। ख़याल यह है कि साल या डेढ़ साल में तमाम शिफ्टिंग ख़त्म हो जायेगी।

**Shrimati Savitri Nigam:** How many people are going to be shifted from Simla and how many are still there waiting for their chance for allotment of a quarter for the last several years at Lucknow? . . .

**Shri Sham Nath:** We have a large number of officers and members of the staff who have not been provided with accommodation at Simla. The number of such people was 377 at present. One of the reasons for shifting the two Wings to Lucknow is that the accommodation available at Simla is not adequate.

**Shri A. P. Sharma:** In the statement it is said that about Rs. 179.60 lakhs will be spent over the construction of quarters for staff at Lucknow. How much of it will be spent for non-gazetted employees, how much for gazetted employees and how many quarters will be constructed for both?

**Shri Sham Nath:** The estimates prepared have two parts. One part relates to an expenditure of Rs. 1,55,65,355 for the construction of

quarters and office accommodation. The other part of the estimates which is only for about Rs. 23,60,000/- is for providing amenity works etc. I have not got the details in regard to the expenditure on different types of accommodation which we intend to provide at Lucknow.

**Shri D. C. Sharma:** May I know if it is the considered policy of the Government to uproot offices and personnel working there from one place to other place without providing adequate facilities in the new places and, if so, what are the advantages that the Government derive from this policy of uprooting offices and the personnel working there?

**Shri Sham Nath:** It is not a question of uprooting people from one place and settling them at another place. At Simla we had two Wings of this organisation. It was found very necessary that the work of this organisation is done in an integrated way. Therefore, it was decided to shift two Wings from Simla to Lucknow so that we have a unified organisation at Lucknow.

**Shri D. C. Sharma:** Why do they shift these offices from one place to other place without providing suitable accommodation and other things? Why do they shift them before any arrangement is made?

**Shri Sham Nath:** The intention is to provide accommodation for as large a number of people as possible and that is why. . . .

**Mr. Speaker:** The Member's desire is that the accommodation should be provided first, that all these things should be arranged first and then the offices should be shifted.

**श्री यशपाल सिंह :** जब कि रेलवे रिसर्च का बहुत बड़ा इंस्टीट्यूट लखनऊ में चल रहा है और उस ने इतना बड़ा काम कर के दिखाया है कि शायद कोई दूसरा इंस्टीट्यूट नहीं कर सका है, तो बजाये इस के कि वहां

पर अलग इन्तजाम किया जाता, अगर उसी रेलवे रिसर्च इंस्टीट्यूट के मातहत वह इन्तजाम कर दिया जाता, तो करोड़ों रुपये बच सकते थे। मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या वजह है कि यह इन्तजाम उस के मातहत नहीं किया गया है।

**श्री शामनाथ :** इस आर्गोनाइजेशन के कई विंग हैं। एक विंग रिसर्च का लखनऊ में है और सिविल इंजीनियरिंग एंड मैकेनिकल विंग शिमला में है। इन दोनों विंगों के शिमला में रहने में यह दिक्कत है कि वहां पर टैस्टिंग फैसिलिटीज एवैलेबल नहीं हैं। इसलिए उन का लखनऊ में रिसर्च विंग के साथ होना बहुत जरूरी है।

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(क) क्या यह सच है कि पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे श्रम संघ, हिन्द मजदूर सभा तथा हिन्द मजदूर पंचायत के सदस्यों का एक शिफ्ट-मंडल, सेन्ट्रल रेलवे अस्पताल, गोरखपुर में लापरवाही तथा गलत उपचार के कारण हुई कुछ व्यक्तियों की मृत्यु के संबंध में 6 सितम्बर, 1964 को पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे के जनरल मैनेजर से भिला था तथा उन को उन्होंने एक ज्ञापन दिया था ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में क्या कार्यवाही की गई है अथवा की जा रही है ?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में राज्य-मंत्री (डा० राम सुभग सिंह) : (क) जी, हां।

(ख) शिफ्टमंडल ने जो ज्ञापन दिया था, पूर्वोत्तर रेल प्रशासन उसके सम्बन्ध में जांच कर रहा है।

**श्री रामसेवक यादव :** मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि इस ज्ञापन में किस प्रकार के आरोप लगाए गए हैं।