

श्री हुकम चन्द लालबाय : कितने मजदूर बेकार होंगे ?

श्री राज बहादुर : गल्ला निकालने के वास्ते पम्प लगाये जाते हैं। मजदूरों का उस में डिसप्लेस होने का सवाल पैदा नहीं होता है।

**Shri Kapur Singh:** Since recurrent large-scale food imports are now a permanent feature here, do Government propose to instal automation devices to ensure rapid unloading and quick clearance at these ports?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** I have already answered that question. Automation and mechanisation are very necessary steps. We propose to mechanise our ports as early as possible, but consistently with the question of employment potential which is provided for the people.

**Shri Kapur Singh:** Automation arrangements are different from mechanisation.

श्री म० ल० द्विवेदी : क्या यह सच है कि स्टीवेडोर अपने रेट समय समय पर बढ़ाते रहे हैं और मजदूरों को उसका प्रतिफल नहीं देते हैं? जमींदारों को तो आपने कलम की नोक से खत्म कर दिया, क्या आप इन स्टीवेडोरों को खत्म नहीं कर सकते हैं?

श्री राज बहादुर : जहाँ तक इनका सम्बन्ध है, इनके रेट्स वगैरह को डाक लेबर बोर्ड के नियंत्रण में रखा जाता है। इसके अतिरिक्त बिना शिपिंग कम्पनियों की मर्जी के वे रेट्स बढ़ा नहीं सकते हैं। शिपिंग कम्पनीज और डाक लेबर बोर्ड जितना तय करते हैं, वही वे ले सकते हैं। वे खाली इंटरमिडियरीज नहीं हैं, यह बहम में निकाल देना चाहता हूँ। अगर वे खाली इंटरमिडियरीज होते तो मैं मान लेता। लेबर के अलावा दूसरे और काम वे करते हैं जो शिपिंग कम्पनियां या शिबर्ज अपने आप नहीं कर सकते हैं।

श्री को० बे० मालवीय : मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि सीलोन में स्टीवेडोर सिस्टम को

हटा दिया गया है या नहीं हटा दिया गया है ?

श्री राज बहादुर : सीलोन में हटा दिया गया है। वह एक दूसरा कंट्री है, इस वास्ते उसके बारे में मैं कुछ नहीं कहना चाहता।

एक माननीय सदस्य : क्यों ?

श्री राज बहादुर : इसलिए नहीं कहना चाहता कि सीलोन में जो पोर्ट ट्रबलज है, व मेरे ख्याल में सर्वविदित है —

अध्यक्ष महोदय : मैंने न सवाल की इजाजत दी है और न ही जवाब की।

**Shri P. R. Chakraverti:** In the context of the experience gained by the abolition of the contract system in Calcutta port, may I know whether Government has now given up the idea of introducing mechanical loading?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** We have not given up the idea of mechanical loading; it has to be adopted and introduced by regular and systematic stages.

#### State Trading in Foodgrains

**Shri Vishram Prasad:**  
**Dr. Saradish Roy:**  
**Dr. Ranen Sen:**  
**Shri Dinen Bhattacharya:**  
**Shri Rameshwar Tantia:**  
**Shri Bishanohander Seth:**  
**Shri B. P. Yadava:**  
**Shri P. Venkatasubbaiah:**  
**Shrimati Savitri Nigam:**  
**Shri M. L. Dwivedi:**  
**Shri S. C. Samanta:**  
**Shri Dhaon:**  
**Shri Yashpal Singh:**  
**Shri D. C. Sharma:**  
**Shri S. M. Banerjee:**  
**Shri P. C. Borooah:**  
**Shri P. R. Chakraverty.**  
**Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:**  
**Shri Bade:**  
**Shri Daji:**  
**Shri A. S. Saigal:**  
**Shrimati Renu Chakraverty:**

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**Shri Indrajit Gupta:**

**Shri J. P. Jyotishi:**

**Shri Vishwa Nath**

**Pandey:**

**Shri Shashi Ranjan:**

**Shri Mohan Swarup:**

**Shrimati Renuka Ray:**

**Shri M. N. Swamy:**

**Shri Yogendra Jha:**

**Shri Vasudevan Nair:**

**Shri Mohammad Elias:**

**Shri Surendranath**

**Dwivedi:**

**Shri Jashvant Mehta:**

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether steps are being taken by Government for state trading in foodgrains in the country; and

(b) if so, the main outlines thereof?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (Shri D. R. Chavan):** (a) and (b). There is no proposal to introduce full-scale state trading under which the procurement of the entire marketable surplus of the foodgrains in the country and its distribution will be taken over by the Government. Government are already procuring foodgrains in the surplus pockets and distributing both procured grains as also grains imported from abroad through a net-work of fair price shops at fixed prices. A Foodgrains Trading Corporation is being set up to help Government in acquiring as large a proportion of the marketable surplus as possible and in distributing it to the consumers at reasonable prices. It will start functioning in January 1965.

**श्री विश्वास प्रसाद :** स्टेट ट्रेडिंग कारपोरेशन जो चापका सीट ग्रप हो रहा है, उस से किस तरह से गल्ला कंज्यूमर्स को रीकनेबल रेट्स पर मिला करेगा ?

**The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri C. Subramaniam):** This is one of the objectives of establishing

this Corporation. It will have the two-fold objective of ensuring a reasonable price to the producer and also a fair price to the consumer.

**श्री विश्वास प्रसाद :** जो ग्राज दिल्ली में 18 रुपये मन गेहूं और पूर्वी उत्तर प्रदेश में 40 रुपये मन बिक रहा है ऐसा न होकर क्या स्टेट ट्रेडिंग कारपोरेशन के जरिये चाप सारे देश में ग्राहस स्टेबलाइज कर सकेंगे ?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** Yes, Sir; these disparities will be largely removed.

**Dr. Ranen Sen:** The answer given by the hon. Minister indicates that the Government would not procure the total amount of rice or wheat produced in India for distribution in the country. If that is so, has it not been brought to the notice of the Government that a little amount of procurement through the State Trading Corporation would not avoid the disaster that was felt this year and in the future also?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** No, Sir; it will not be a small quantity; it will be a considerable quantity so that it would be able to influence the prices.

**Shri Indrajit Gupta:** The hon. Minister has stated just now and earlier also that the foodgrains corporation would commence its operation from the next year harvest. Under the prevailing conditions, unless some system is evolved to advance credit to the farmers, how can they get foodgrains as they would be already sold to the mahajans and big merchants who were already advancing credit and to whom they were pledging their grains in advance.

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** When the Corporation comes into existence, and even before that, we are making arrangements in the various States for the purpose of purchasing foodgrains, especially rice, from the various States. I do agree that later on advancing of money to the various producers will have to be done.

But all that can come into effect only after the Corporation gets into position.

**Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:** May I know, out of the marketable surplus that will be coming into the mandies and bazars, what will be the amount of procurement, and whether this procurement or buying in the open market will go on with the harvest of rice which in many of the States will begin by the end of November or at the beginning of December?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** That is why I said other *ad hoc* arrangements are being made for the purpose of this rice and the rice harvest which would be coming before January. Other arrangements are being made for the purpose.

**Shrimati Renuka Barkataki:** While the Government have decided to introduce State trading in foodgrains, especially for procurement, may I know whether the Government is aware of the fact that some of the States which have already introduced this State trading have decided to give up State trading because of some technical difficulties?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** As a matter of fact, some of the States are coming forward to introduce State trading to a greater extent. Where the States are not willing to enter the field, the Corporation will come into existence to cover the entire country.

**Shrimati Barkataki:** My question was whether—

**Mr. Speaker:** The Question Hour is over.

## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

### Second Shipyard

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**Shri A. K. Gopalan:**  
**Shri Imbichhaya:**  
**Shri Nambiar:**

**Shri Rameshwar Tantia:**  
**Shri B. P. Yadava:**  
**Shri Bishanchander Seth:**  
**Shri Dhaon:**  
**Shri M. L. Dwivedi:**  
**Shrimati Savitri Nigam:**  
**Shri Subodh Hansda:**  
**Shri S. C. Samanta:**  
**Shri P. C. Borooah:**  
**Maharajkumar Vijaya Ananda:**  
**Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:**  
**Shri Maniyangadan:**  
**Shri Shree Narayan Das:**  
**Shri P. R. Chakraverti:**  
**Shri Daji:**  
**Shri A. S. Saigal:**  
**Shri Indrajit Gupta:**  
**Shri Yashpal Singh:**  
**Shri Sham Lal Saraf:**  
**Shri Basappa:**  
**Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:**  
**Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:**  
**Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:**  
**Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:**  
**Shri Vasudevan Nair:**  
**Shri Basappa:**  
**Shri Veerappa:**

Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that he and other high officials of his Ministry visited Japan in the middle of June, 1964 with a view to holding high-level talks with some Japanese ship-builders regarding the setting up of a shipyard at Cochin with their collaboration; and

(b) if so, what has been the outcome of those talks?

**The Minister of Transport (Shri Raj Bahadur):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Negotiations were conducted with the Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Ltd. on specific terms and conditions demanded by them for collaboration and notes stating respective positions taken by either side thereupon were exchanged. Representatives of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, later came to Delhi in August when negotiations were further advanced and a written reply is now expected from them shortly. It is hoped that an agreement will be concluded soon.