

river valley projects where the State Government's resources are not adequate for the purpose; if so, what action Government is going to take in this respect?

Dr. K. L. Rao: I have already said that if the States which require assistance request for the investigation, planning or designs to be done by the Centre, we are prepared to take it up.

श्री श्रीकार लाल बेरवा : जैसे कि कुछ राज्यों ने यह रिबर बोर्डस बनाना नहीं माना है, बनाने के बारे में आपत्ति की है तो केन्द्रीय सरकार ने क्या उन से यह जानने का यत्न किया है कि किस आधार पर उन्होंने यह रिबर बोर्डस बनाने के लिए मना किया है ?

Dr. K. L. Rao: Most of the States feel that the setting up of another advisory body like the River Board does not serve any purpose.

श्री श्रीकार लाल बेरवा : कोई कारण भी तो उन्होंने बतलाये होंगे कि इस कारण से वह इसे नहीं बनाना चाहते ?

Expenditure by States

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*555. { **Shri Kolla Venkaiah:**
Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:

Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 95 on the 10th September, 1964 and state:

(a) whether the State Governments have since been advised by the Planning Commission to reduce their expenditure;

(b) if so, the amounts of reduction advised to each State; and

(c) the reaction of the State Governments thereto?

The Minister of Planning (Shri B. R. Bhagat): (a) to (c). The Planning Commission in its letter on the States' Annual Plan, 1965-66, suggest-

ed a close scrutiny of both Plan and non-Plan expenditure.

In the assessment of States' resources for the Annual Plan, which was finalised after discussion with the officials of States Finance Departments, a detailed examination has been made of States' non-Plan expenditure both under development and non-development sides.

Shri Kolla Venkaiah: From the statement it is not clear whether any suggestion has been made to the State Governments for cutting that expenditure.

Shri B. R. Bhagat: The Deputy Chairman mentioned to the Chief Ministers of the States that the expenditure during the Fourth Plan should be limited to 5 per cent and 3 per cent respectively for non-developmental and non-Plan developmental expenditure.

Shri Kolla Venkaiah: Which are the States that have approved the suggestion made by the Government?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: It is not a question of approval, it is a question of taking this factor into account in planning their annual plans for the last year of the Third Plan.

Shri Heda: Instead of giving a general line of thinking, have the Planning Commission indicated any spheres or any departments where excess expenditure is taking place in which there is a possibility of curtailment?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: Every year the annual plan of the States come up for discussion in the Planning Commission and we go into the matter, into the details of examination of the various projects on the basis of the actual expenditure over the last year; we determine the expenditure of the next year and we also go into thorough details of the new requirements.

Dr. M. S. Aney: What is the reaction of the State Governments to the letter issued by you?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: They are also very co-operative, they are also interested in keeping the non-plan expenditure as low as possible.

Shri Ranga: What steps are taken by the Union Government itself to minimise its own non-plan expenditure, outside the plan projects and with what success?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: This question relates to the State Governments but if you permit me, I will answer it.

Mr. Speaker: If he wants to answer he may answer it.

Shri B. R. Bhagat: The Finance Minister has asked the various departments to go into this matter last year, and more so this year. We have enforced a very rigorous control on all expenditure proposals; in respect of non-plan and non-development expenditure, there has been very tight budgeting.

श्री बिभूति मिश्र : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मंत्री जी ने पटने में बतलाया था कि सारे देश की पर कैपिटा इनकम 300 रु० से ज्यादा है, बिहार का एव्रैज 190 रुपये है और हमारे क्षेत्र का बतलाया कि कहीं 100 रुपया है तो कहीं पर 50 रुपया है और इसी को ध्यान में रखते हुए श्री अशोक मेहता ने सब स्टेट्स को खत लिखा है :—

"It is absolutely necessary to reduce the strain on the Centre's resources"

स्टेट्स सेंटर से जहाँ तक हो सके न मांगें, तो मैं सरकार से जानना चाहता हूँ कि यह जो हम लोग बैंकवड एरिया के आदमी हैं हमारी आमदनी कैसे बढ़ेगी और हमारी तरक्की कैसे होगी ?

श्री ब० रा० भगत : उसमें यह भी लिखा गया है कि राज्य सरकारें अपने अपने रिसोर्सिज बढ़ायें और उन इलाकों में ऐसे प्रोजेक्ट्स जिन से कि जल्दी आमदनी हो सके, इस तरह के एग्रीकल्चरल और दूसरे प्रोजेक्ट्स

नये नये ढंग से लगायें ताकि वहाँ की आमदनी बढ़े ।

Shri Harish Chandra Mathur: This subject has been before Parliament and before the Government for a long time now. May I know whether they have made any study of this subject of non-productive expenditure in the various States? Have they made any estimate of the possible savings that could be made?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: No study as such has been made in regard to the state expenditure. Obviously it cannot be made here. But the States are doing this and here in the Planning Commission, there is a State budgeting section and in the Finance Ministry there is the department of co-ordination which deals with the States' budgets. They are all going into this question trying to bring down this expenditure as much as possible.

Shri Harish Chandra Mathur: Are they working in thin air? They should have got some basis or some statistics. It is not a new question.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: The Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission has stated that they should avoid the strain on the Centre and the State Governments must mop up their resources. I want to know whether specific instructions have been issued to the State Governments to nationalise some of the industries in their own States.

Mr. Speaker: That is a different thing altogether. The Question Hour is over. Shri Kachhavaia;

Shri Surendranath Dwivedy: The next question can be taken up, Sir. A minute or so yet remains.

Mr. Speaker: It is over.

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath: Under the rules, if the Minister desires to answer, it may be taken up.

Mr. Speaker: Order, order. The question Hour is over.

12.00 hrs.

SHORT NOTICE QUESTION

नागालैंड के विधायकों का त्याग-पत्र

- S.N.Q. 6. { श्री हुकम चन्द कछत्राय :
श्री श्रींकार लाल बेरवा :
श्री यू० द० सिंह :
श्री प्र० रं० चक्रवर्ती :
श्री प्र० चं० बरुआ :
श्री हेम बरुआ :

क्या वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि नागालैंड के बारह विरोधी विधायकों ने विधान सभा की सदस्यता से त्याग-पत्र दे दिया है ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि उपरोक्त विधायक त्याग-पत्र देने के बाद विद्रोही नागाओं के साथ मिल गये हैं ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो अब सरकार उनके विरुद्ध क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार कर रही है ; और

(घ) उसका पूरा व्योरा क्या है ?

वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती लक्ष्मी मेनन) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) जी नहीं ।

(ग) और (घ). प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

श्री श्रींकार लाल बेरवा : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या इन्होंने इसलिए इस्तीफा दिया था कि देशद्रोही फ़िजों को बगैर किसी शर्त के नागालैंड लौटने दिया जाये ।

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: No, Sir; it does not arise.

श्री श्रींकार लाल बेरवा : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि जब सरकार नागालैंड को अपने देश का भाग समझती है, उसको एक्स्टर्नल एफ़ेयर्स मिनिस्ट्री के हाथ में देने का क्या कारण है ।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : यह तो पालिसी की बात है ।

Shri Hem Barua: May I know if it is not a fact that these 12 members of the Nagaland Legislative Assembly who won their elections with the support of the Naga hostiles have resigned because (a) they do not have any faith in the present political arrangements in Nagaland and (b) they want to strengthen the hostile elements' demands for independence of Nagaland from the Indian Union, and, if so, may I know whether Government have examined this particular aspect of the problem and, if they have, what is their conclusion?

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: They have not given any reasons for their resignation. It is presumed . . .

Shri Hem Barua: They issued a statement.

Mr. Speaker: Order, order. Let him listen first to the answer.

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: In their resignation letter they have not given any reasons at all. It is presumed that they were afraid that in case the talks failed they would be held responsible, and so, in order to give up their responsibility in the matter, they thought it was wise to resign at this stage.

श्री प्रकाशबोर शास्त्री : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि नागालैंड के मुख्य मंत्री, श्री शीलू आम्बो, अथवा वहाँ के राज्यपाल, श्री विष्णु सहाय, ने इन बारह व्यक्तियों के त्याग-पत्र के सम्बंध में अपनी रिपोर्ट भारत सरकार को भेजी है, जिस में यह बताया गया है कि उसका बहुत बड़ा कारण शांति वार्ता है ; यदि हां, तो इस तरह की बात होने से क्या यह अच्छा नहीं है कि शांति-वार्ता को समाप्त कर दिया जाये ।

Shrimati Lakshmi Menon: The Government do not think that it is advisable to suspend the talks.