

**Shri R. Ramanathan Chettiar:** May I know whether they have brought down the limit from Rs. 1.50 lakhs to Rs. 75,000 only in respect of Indian nationals?

**Shri Dinesh Singh:** It is not only in respect of Indian nationals. But there are a number of countries which are grouped together and nationals of all those countries are allowed to repatriate only to the extent of Rs. 75,000.

**Shrimati Savitri Nigam:** While replying to the main question, the Deputy Minister said that this question was not discussed during the talks. In view of the fact that there are thousands of Indian people who have huge properties there, why is it that an important matter like this has not been discussed during the talks?

**Shri Dinesh Singh:** The House is aware of what the discussions were held for. This agreement has been a subsequent one. People are taking out this money at this rate and so there was no need to take it up.

**श्री भागवत झा झाझाद :** क्या सरकार यह समझती है कि श्रीलंका सरकार ने जो ७५,००० रुपये की सम्पत्ति लाने की व्यवस्था की है, क्या वह काफी है; अगर नहीं, तो क्या सरकार ने इस राशि को बढ़ाने के लिए कुछ सुझाव दिया है ?

**श्री विनेश सिंह :** भारत सरकार यह समझती है कि भारतीयों के वहां पर जितने भी रुपये हैं, वे पूरे वापस लाने चाहियें और इस सम्बन्ध में हमने सीलोन सरकार से कहा भी है।

**Shri Vishwanath Roy:** May I know whether Government have tried to ascertain the total value of the property which the Indian nationals have kept in Ceylon at present?

**Shri Dinesh Singh:** No, Sir.

**M.I.G. Project**

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 Shrimati Savitri Nigam:  
 Shri R. G. Dubey:  
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 Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:  
 Shri Jagdev Singh  
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 Shri Bibhuti Mishra:  
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Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) the up-to-date progress made regarding the setting up of the M.I.G. Project in India with the Soviet assistance; and

(b) when the production is likely to be started?

**The Minister of Defence Production in the Ministry of Defence (Shri A. M. Thomas):** (a) The civil works and the training programmes are progressing satisfactorily. The procurement of plant, machinery, jigs, tools and aircraft components from the U.S.S.R. has been taken in hand.

(b) The production of aircraft at the MIG factories is planned in four stages; viz., from major assemblies, from sub-assemblies, from detailed parts and from raw materials. It is expected that the first phase will commence next year and planes under the

last phase would start coming out of the production line in about 4 years.

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** May I know whether the Soviet team of experts who were here have given their final advice and whether they have given us all the technical know-how as to how this can be produced without any further delay?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** They would certainly give us all the technical know-how. It has been disclosed to this House by the Defence Minister, after his visit to the U.S.S.R, that the Soviet Union would now play a larger role in the matter of both production as well as tendering technical advice in regard to this

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** I would like to know whether it is a fact that MIG 21 has become obsolete both in the Soviet Union and other places; if so, may I know whether we are still interested in this plant to manufacture MIG 21 or MIG 24 that have been given to China by the Soviet Union?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** It has not become obsolete, and it is the modified version of MIG 21 that we are going to produce.

**श्री यशपाल सिंह :** रशिया ने हमें मिग विमान देने का वादा किया था । मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि प्रोड्यूल के मताधिक अब तक कितने डिलिबर हो चुके हैं और बाकी कितने हैं ?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** With regard to deliveries, as I have already indicated, the first would be the stage of production after major assemblies. That would be done by the beginning of next year. With regard to the other stages we have drawn up a production programme. It will not be in the public...

**Mr. Speaker:** He was not asking about the production programme; he was asking about those that have been delivered by them.

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** We have given them a list of plants, machinery, jigs and other things. They are exami-

ning them and we expect that we would receive them in time.

**Mr. Speaker:** He wants to know whether any of them has been delivered so far.

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** There is no question of delivery. The production programme will start only...

**Mr. Speaker:** He is not asking about the production programme but about delivery though it was not relevant.

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** That, Sir, is with regard to the equipping of three squadrons to which a reference has been made by the Minister of Defence. We expect to receive them in due course.

**श्री विश्वनाथ पाण्डेय :** माननीय मंत्री महोदय ने बताया कि चार वर्ष के बाद मिग विमान बनेंगे । मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि चार वर्ष के अन्दर हमें जो ऐसे विमानों की आवश्यकता होगी, उसकी कैसे पूर्ति की जाएगी ?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** That has been made clear in the statement that was given by the Defence Minister.

**Shrimati Savitri Nigam:** May I know whether any effort has been made to get the requisite type of raw material, steel etc., in the country and what would be the foreign exchange component as far as purchase of machinery or raw material is concerned?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** It would not be in the public interest to disclose what would be the foreign exchange component and what would be necessary for us to produce here.

**Shrimati Savitri Nigam:** Sir, the first part of my question has not been answered.

**Mr. Speaker:** That is enough.

**Shri R. G. Dubey:** May I know whether any tentative decision has been taken regarding the location of this factory?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** The engine factory will be in Koraput in Orissa, the air-frame factory in Nasik in Maharashtra and the electorincs factory in Hyderabad.

**Shri Surendra Pal Singh:** Have we any arrangement with the Russian collaborators whereby all the technological developments and improvements that take place in the manufacture of MIG in Russia in the next two or three years will be made available to us automatically for incorporation in our MIGs?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** I have already stated that it would be a modified version of MIG 21 that we are going to produce.

**Shrimati Sharda Mukerjee:** The hon. Minister stated that the factory is going to be located in three different places. May I know from him who is responsible for the planning and manufacture and what is the co-ordinating agency?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** In fact, this was decided long ago. All aspects were considered and a decision was taken by the Government that these factories should be in three different places for technical reasons and also for security reasons.

**Shrimati Sharda Mukerjee:** What agency is responsible for planning and co-ordinating the work of the factories?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** That would be done by the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited.

**Shri D. C. Sharma:** In view of the emergency with which our country is confronted, may I know if the delay in the production of these MIGs after five years will not affect our defence preparedness to some extent.

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** For that, alternative arrangements are being made.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Is it not a fact that since the shake-up in the Kremlin on October 15th last there

has been a deceleration or slowing up of Soviet aid with regard to this particular project, as exemplified by the non-delivery—I am categorical about the non-delivery—of a dozen MIGs contracted to be supplied by the end of January, and yet have not arrived?

**The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan):** It is not true. The dozen MIGs that were contracted for and promised by Russians have already arrived in this country.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** How many have arrived? Four have arrived and two have crashed? How many are yet to arrive?

**Shri Y. B. Chavan:** I have already given the reply.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** What was the answer?

**Mr. Speaker:** There has not been any deceleration.

**श्री मधु सिमये :** मिग योजना के अन्तर्गत जो कारखाने बनाये जा रहे हैं उन में केवल मिग विमानों की पैदावर होगी या कोई ऐसा विभाग भी खोला जाएगा जिस में विमानों के इंजिन और उसके जो टांचे हैं, उन में तरक्की और सुधार करने की भी कोई गुंजाइश रहे ?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** These factories are mainly for the purpose of producing MIG aeroplanes. Perhaps the aeronautics factory at Hyderabad may undertake other production programmes too.

**श्री भागवत झा आजाद :** अभी कुछ महीने पूर्व हमारे रक्षा मंत्री ने जो समझौते किये हैं उनके अनुसार जो मिग विमान देश में आ रहे हैं, क्या उनकी उड़ानों के अनुभव के आधार पर यह सम्भव हो सकेगा कि हम अगर कुछ सुधार या परिवर्तन इस परियोजना में करना चाहें तो कर सकें और इसके लिए सोवियत टैक्नीकल सहायता हमें प्राप्त होगी अथवा नहीं ?

**Shri Y. B. Chavan:** I think that we shall be able to secure the technical assistance that would be required.

**Shri Surendranath Dwivedy:** Is it not a fact that the construction of the factory at Koraput is not proceeding according to schedule? What are the reasons for the delay?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** Pending acceptance of the project report we have given sanction for the first phase of construction amounting to Rs. 2.96 crores. The training school and the houses in the township are also coming up.

**Shri Surendranath Dwivedy:** But what is the schedule?

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** It is behind schedule.

**Mr. Speaker:** I have heard him say that it is behind the schedule.

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** It cannot be said that it is not behind schedule.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** The cat is out.

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** All these programmes have to go side by side—air frames factory, engines factory and aeronautics. On the whole it cannot be said that they are behind the schedule.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Sir, on a point of order. There is conflict in the statements given by the senior Minister and the Junior Minister. The senior Minister says there is no deceleration while the junior Minister says there is deceleration. Who is to be believed? Who is correct?

**Mr. Speaker:** The answer by the Defence Minister earlier was about the deceleration of the aid that was promised and not about this. The hon. Member should distinguish between the two.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** But it is all part of one and the same thing.

**Shri Narendra Singh Mahida:** Have we any programme or scheme for training personnel like test pilots in this project?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** Yes, Sir.

**Shri Indrajit Gupta:** Are there any provisions in the agreement for the training of technicians and engineers in the Soviet factories and, if so, are they progressing according to schedule?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** The Soviet specialists would be arriving in India and they would be training our people here in our factories.

**Mr. Speaker:** Have we any programme to send our people abroad?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** Not at present.

**श्री जगदेव सिंह सिद्धाती :** इस परियोजना को जो दो तीन जगहों पर प्रसंग-प्रसंग आप कर रहे हैं यह क्या राजनीतिक आधार पर किया जा रहा है या कोई इसका आर्थिक आधार है ?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** On considerations of safety of our country.

**Shri R. S. Pandey:** In view of the fact that a time of emergency may come when with the invitation of the Left Communists in India our country will be attacked and we cannot wait for four years to produce MIG planes, may I know whether any negotiation has been going on with U.S.A. to get supersonic planes?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** It has been stated more than once in this House that besides our production programmes alternative arrangements are being made to strengthen our Air Force.

**श्री विभूति मिश्र :** चार बरस में जब मिग विमान बन कर तैयार होगा तब तक दुनिया प्रागे बढ़ चुकी होगी और यह पीछे हो जाएगा । इसलिये क्या सरकार इसका भी ध्यान रखेगी कि जब यह बने, आधुनिकतम बने ?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** I have already stated that there are four stages,

The first stage would start in the beginning of next year and there would be planes produced in this country out of major assemblies. It is the last stage, manufacture out of raw materials, that would take four years.

**Shri P. R. Chakraverti:** Apart from the foreign exchange complement, what will be the total financial involvement in this project?

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** With regard to the total financial involvement, for example, the Nasik factory's estimated cost is about Rs. 18 crores and the aero-engine factory's estimated cost is about Rs. 35 crores.

**Shri Ranga:** Shri Bibhuti Mishra's question was that in these four years there would be so many changes taking place in regard to the technique of manufacture, designs and so on; are Government taking that possibility into consideration and seeing to it that if and when they take to their manufacture the designs according to which they would be manufacturing these MIGs, modified or otherwise, would be up-to-date? To that there was no answer from the Minister. I do not know whether he follows our questions or not.

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** I have stated that it is the modified version of the MIG 21 aircraft that will be produced here; that means, the latest improvements of that aircraft will be taken into consideration. Whatever improvements are subsequently effected would also be taken into consideration.

**श्री डा० ना० तिबारी :** मिग विमान के तीन पार्ट्स अलग अलग तीन जगहों पर बनते हैं। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि अलग अलग जगहों पर बनने के बजाय अगर वे एक जगह पर बनते तो उस की कीमत में कितना फर्क पड़ता।

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** All these things were taken into consideration. I have already said that the things which weighed with the Government

were the questions of safety and all other relevant circumstances. Of course, there would have been some advantages . . .

**Shri D. N. Tiwary:** I want to know as to what will be the difference in price if they were produced at one place and when they are being produced at different places.

**Mr. Speaker:** Why should we take into consideration the difference in price when we think that for security reasons they ought to be put up at different places?

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क्या प्रतिरक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या जम्मू तथा काश्मीर सीमा पर पाकिस्तानी सेना का जमाव बढ़ गया है ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि राजस्थान और पश्चिमी बंगाल की सीमाओं पर भी ऐसी ही स्थिति उत्पन्न होने की सम्भावना है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस स्थिति का सामना करने के लिए सरकार का क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है ?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Defence (Dr. D. S. Raju): (a) While the activities of Pakistan/Pakistan-occupied-Kashmir personnel all