

श्री त्रि० ना० सिंह : हम को कोई ऐसी सूचना नहीं है ।

श्री गुलशन : क्या सरकार ने कभी यह भी जांच की है कि जो विदेशों से हमारे देश में कारें आती हैं उनकी क्वालिटी भी अच्छी होती है और उनकी कीमत भी कम होती है, और हमारे देश में जो कारें बनती हैं उनकी क्वालिटी भी अच्छी नहीं होती और उनकी कीमत भी ज्यादा होती है ? क्या कभी सरकार ने इसका अनुमान लगाया है ।

श्री त्रि० ना० सिंह : मेरी समझ में पहले हम को यह मान लेना चाहिए कि हमारे पास बहुत ज्यादा इम्पोर्ट करने के लिए फारिन एक्सचेंज नहीं है, इस वास्ते बाहर से कार जैसी चीज को नहीं मंगाया जा सकता ।

श्री जगदेव सिंह सिद्धान्ती : पांडेय रिपोर्ट को अब तक क्यों कार्यान्वित नहीं किया गया है ?

श्री त्रि० ना० सिंह : यह तो पुराना किरसा है ।

Shri Dinen Bhattacharya: May I know whether it is a fact that very recently the Minister visited Hindustan Motors Factory and there the management told him that due to shortage of imports they are not in a position either to raise the volume of production or improve the quality and if they get licence for import of goods in time and without any restrictions they can sell motor cars at cheaper prices?

Mr. Speaker: This question does not cover other motor cars.

Shri Jashvant Mehta: Which are the countries with which Government are now negotiating?

Mr. Speaker: That has already been answered. It is a pity that Memoers do not listen to the answers given to the supplementaries.

Shrimati Savitri Nigam: In the statement it is mentioned that the foreign exchange requirements for

the project were indicated differently by the different foreign manufacturers. Ultimately the Government have come to the conclusion that about Rs. 10 crores worth of foreign exchange will be necessary. While negotiating with the new companies, I would like to know whether Government are keeping in view that the foreign exchange component should not increase this limit or they are going to increase the limit.

Shri T. N. Singh: It will be one of my efforts to see that the foreign exchange component is reduced to the minimum.

Shri P. Venkatasubbalah: What prevents the Government from giving a categorical assurance that when the small car project is started it will be in the public sector in order to allay the apprehensions in the minds of the people that it is the pressure of the capitalists that is dissuading the Government from taking a decision?

Shri T. N. Singh: If unfounded apprehensions are expressed by the people, what can I say? They are entirely unfounded.

Shrimati Akkamma Devi rose—

Mr. Speaker: The Lady Member also wants a small car?

Shrimati Akkamma Devi: If and when the small car project goes into production may I know whether it will take months or years for the public to get the small car?

Mr. Speaker: Next question.

Bokaro Steel Project

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Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:
Shri Jagdev Singh
Siddhanti:
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 Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
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 Shri Subodh Hansda:
 Shri B. K. Das:
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 Shri P. L. Barupal:
 Shri Surya Prasad:
 Shri Chandak:
 Shri D. D. Mantri:
 Shrimati Maimoona Sultan:
 Shri Ram Sewak:
 Shri P. G. Sen:
 Shrimati Renuka Barkataki:
 Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:
 Shri L. N. Bhanja Deo:
 Shrimati Sharda Mukerjee:
 Shri Sarjoo Pandey:
 Shri Ravindra Varma:

Will the Minister of Steel and Mines be pleased to state:

(a) whether an agreement on Russian financial aid for the Bokaro Steel Project has been signed;

(b) if so, the terms of the agreement;

(c) whether there was delay in signing of the agreement; and

(d) if so, why?

The Minister of Steel and Mines (Shri Sanjiva Reddy): (a) to (d). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

An agreement was signed on the 25th January, 1965, between the Governments of India and the U.S.S.R. for co-operation in the construction of the Bokaro Steel Plant with a capacity of 1.5—2.9 million tonnes per annum and for extending a credit for this purpose. The terms of the Agreement broadly, are as follows:

- (i) The credit will be upto 190 million roubles (Rs. 100.5 crores) repayable in twelve equal annual instalments, interest being 2.5 per cent on outstanding balance of credit utilized.
- (ii) There will be maximum participation of Indian organizations in the designing of works, and in the supply of equipment and materials. While the design and construction of facilities outside the work will be entirely an Indian responsibility, the Indian organisation will participate in the design and drawing work for a number of units within the plant.
- (iii) The Soviet organization will prepare a Detailed Project Report within nine months for a 4 million tonnes plant at Bokaro.
- (iv) Bokaro will produce hot and cold rolled strips and sheets including galvanized sheets.
- (v) The Soviet organizations will supply such equipment as are not available in India, during the period 1966 to 1969.

2. There has been no delay in the signing of the Agreement. A delegation from the U.S.S.R. led by Mr. V.

Sergeev, Deputy Chairman of the State Committee of the Council of Ministers of the USSR for Foreign Economic Relations came to India on the 22nd December, 1964, to negotiate and conclude the Agreement between the Government of India and the Government of the USSR. It took about a month to finalise an agreement with the representatives of the Government of the U.S.S.R. with regard to the various terms and conditions.

Shri D. C. Sharma: In the statement it is stated that the Soviet organisations will supply such equipments as are not available to India, during the period 1966 to 1969. What will be the percentage in terms of the total cost of the equipments which will be supplied by the Soviet organisations and what will be the approximate amount?

Shri P. C. Sethi: It is not yet possible to say about the exact percentage but it will be much more than what it was in Bhilai. It may be round about 30 or 33 per cent.

Shri D. C. Sharma: It is said that the design and construction of facilities outside the work will be entirely an Indian responsibility. May I know what are the design and construction of facilities inside the works and what part of the cost approximately these will mean?

Shri P. C. Sethi: As regards the design and construction inside the plant, details will be known only after the project report is received.

श्री विश्वनाथ राय : क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि इस प्रोजेक्ट के निर्माण के साथ साथ मशीन की टेक्निकेलिटीज जानने के सम्बन्ध में भारतीय इंजीनियरों की भी कुछ ट्रेनिंग होती जाएगी ?

श्री प्र० च० सेठी : जी हाँ, भारतीय इंजीनियरों की ट्रेनिंग का प्रोग्राम रखा हुआ है । और कुछ कांस्ट्रक्शन के ड्राइंग और

डिजाइन तो यहां ही बनाये जाते हैं । इसके लिए एक अलग सैल है ।

श्री क० ना० तिवारी : स्टेटमेंट में दिया गया है कि :

"There will be maximum participation of Indian organizations in the designing of works, and in the supply of equipment and materials."

तो मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि वे कौन से आरगेनाइजेशन्स हैं जिनको डिजाइनिंग और इक्विपमेंट के सप्लाय के काम के लिए चुना गया है ?

श्री प्र० च० सेठी : इंडियन स्टील लिमिटेड का सेंट्रल इंजीनियरिंग एंड डिजाइनिंग ब्यूरो है और हेवी इंजीनियरिंग कारपोरेशन है । इन में से जो भी इस काम को कर सकेगा उस को यह काम दिया जायेगा ।

Shri S. C. Samanta: May I know whether Dastur and Company is one of the companies among the Indian organisations?

Shri P. C. Sethi: They can also be one of them.

Mr. Speaker: Whosoever can do that properly will be awarded that particular job.

श्री यशपाल सिंह : क्या सरकार यह बतला सकती है कि देरी करने में कितना रुपया खर्च किया गया है और जब यह काम चालू हो जाएगा तो इस पर कुल कितना खर्चा आयेगा ?

श्री प्र० च० सेठी : देरी करने में तो कुछ भी रुपया खर्च नहीं हुआ । पर यह बात सही है कि बोकारो स्टील प्लांट पहले अमरीका से आने वाला था जो नहीं आया । इसलिए हम एक प्लान पोस्टिपुट में पिछड़ गये ।

Dr. L. M. Singhvi: We would like to know as to what reasons actually

led to the abandonment of the contract with Dastur and Company and whether this was on the pressure exerted by the Soviet Government that Dastur and Company were dispensed with.

The Minister of Steel and Mines (Shri Sanjiva Reddy): No, Sir that has yet to be discussed. As has been stated, after the project report is ready what percentage should be done could be fixed. It can be done only then and not at this stage.

Shri P. Venkatasubbaiah: May I know whether, apart from the Bokaro project, the USSR Government has agreed to finance any other steel project in this country?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: The expansion of Bhilai is also there.

Shrimati Renu Chakravarty: The Estimates Committee have very clearly come to the opinion that there should be no such thing as a turnkey job. Although it is stated that maximum participation of Indian organisations is going to be had in the designing of works etc., we are almost clear in our minds because of the way in which Dastur and Company has been pushed out that this will not take place. In view of that we would like to know whether for future steel plants this will be taken as a precedent in order to have turnkey jobs for America and other American consortiums etc. as is being done in Bokaro.

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: I do not know why we should presume that way. After all, Indian engineers would be there and Hindustan Steel has also got some experts who will all be put on the job. The guidance and assistance will be there from Russian technicians, but most of the work is done by Indian technicians. I do not

know whether we can call that as a turnkey job.

श्री प्र० प्र० शर्मा : अध्यक्ष महोदय, वहां पर बहुत से गांवों की जमीन ली गयी है इस प्राजेक्ट के बनाने के लिए। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि जिन लोगों की जमीनें ली गई हैं उन लोगों को वहां के स्थानीय काम में प्रिफरेंस दिया जायेगा ?

श्री प्र० चं० सेठी : जी हां, नान स्किल्ड काम में उन को प्राथमिकता दी जायेगी, लेकिन जहां तक स्किल्ड काम का सवाल है, उस में नहीं।

श्री डा० ना० तिवारी : भ्रमरीका के रिपयुजल के बाद बांकारो के प्लांट की स्थापना में बहुत देर हो गयी है। क्या प्रिलिमिनरी वर्क सब हो गया है जिसमें टाइम पर काम हो सके और क्या यह सही है कि जरूरत से अधिक जमीनें ले ली गयी हैं और क्या उनको फिर सौटाने का बन्दोबस्त किया जा रहा है ?

श्री प्र० चं० सेठी : जरूरत से अधिक जमीन नहीं ली गयी है, जितनी जमीन की जरूरत है उतनी ही ली गयी है। लेकिन जमीन लेने में इस बात का भी ध्यान रखा गया है कि आगे चल कर इस प्लांट का एक्सपेंशन होगा। हम 1970 तक प्रोडक्शन शुरू कर सकें इसका पूरा ध्यान रख कर कार्रवाई की जा रही है।

Shri Bibhuti Mishra: According to the Agreement, the Soviet Organisation will prepare a detailed Project Report within 9 months for a 4 million tonnes plant at Bokaro. May I know what would be the total foreign exchange required for it?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: That is not now. We are only expecting to do 1.5 to 2 million tonnes now. Later on, those details will be worked out, not at this stage.

श्री भागवत झा साहब : मैं स्पष्ट रूप से यह कहूँ कि आपने जिस करारनामे

पर अपने हस्त क्षर किये हैं उसकी सभी शर्तों को देखते हुए, क्या यह कहा जा सकता है कि इसके पूर्व जो स्टील प्लांट दुर्गापुर में और अन्य जगहों में बनाये गये हैं या जिस नये स्टील प्लांट को बनाने के लिए अमरीका से एग्जिमेंट हो रहा है, उन सब पिछले स्टील प्लांट और भविष्य में जो अमरीकी सहयोग से बनने वाला है, उन सबके मुकाबले में इस बोकारो स्टील प्लांट के एग्जिमेंट की शर्तें बिलकुल आसान और सरल हैं?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: To the extent I have understood the question, I will answer it.

Mr. Speaker: The question is whether the conditions that have been entered in this Agreement, when compared to other Agreements, are more favourable.

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: It is favourable in the sense that we will be able to use much more Indian equipment now, a larger percentage of Indian equipment. To that extent, our foreign exchange component will be less. Prices cannot be compared—as you know, the prices are rising.

Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad: Can the Minister say, after the Agreement has been signed, that he does not know how it compares with other Steel Plants?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: After all, it depends on what percentage we could produce our own equipment. You can say 30 to 35 per cent only. We cannot clearly say it.

Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad: The Agreement is there.

Shri Bishwanath Roy: Is it more favourable or not?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: I suppose it is favourable. This is an Agreement for both the parties. The Agreement is favourable to our country naturally.

श्री मधु लिमये : अध्यक्ष महोदय, पहले तो मेरी यह शिकायत है कि मात्र मूल को वागजात नहीं मिले और इसलिए सवाल पूछना बड़ा मुश्किल हो रहा है। अभी कोई एक सैंकड़ पहले ही मुझे यह मिले हैं.....

अध्यक्ष महोदय : कागजात न मिलने की अगर माननीय सदस्य को शिकायत थी तो उन्हें मेरे पास आकर मूल से मिल कर करनी थी जोकि न कर के अब सवालाल के वक्त में उसे कर रहे हैं।

श्री मधु लिमये : वे अब मिल गये हैं इसलिए मैं यह सवाल कर रहा हूँ। बोकारो के कामों की डिजाइन करने में हिन्दुस्तान के संगठनों को अधिक से अधिक हिस्सा लेने का मौका मिलेगा यह मंत्री महोदय ने, कहा है, मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि इस अधिक से अधिक का क्या मतलब है और क्या यह सही है कि रूसी सरकार की ओर से इस बात पर ऐतराज किया गया था कि हिन्दुस्तान की कम्पनियों को यह काम दिया जाय?

श्री प्र० चं० सेठी : वास्तविक बात ऐसी नहीं है। जो ले-आउट और डिजाइन वे बनाने वाले हैं वह उससे भिन्न है जोकि प्रारम्भ में प्रोजेक्ट के सम्बन्ध में उन्होंने अपनी रिपोर्ट में दी थी इसलिए यह बात मंजूर करनी पड़ी कि वे उस प्रोजेक्ट की डिजाइन सम्बन्धी रिपोर्ट फिर लिखें। जहाँ तक हिन्दुस्तानी टेक्नीशियंस के इसमें भाग लेने का सवाल है वे अधिक से अधिक उसकी डिजाइनिंग, कंसट्रक्शन और इरेक्शन वर्क में भाग ले सकेंगे और उनको इसका पूरा मौका दिया जायगा।

श्री मधु लिमये : डिजाइन की जिम्मेदारी किस की रहेगी यह मेरे कहने का मतलब है ?

श्री प्र० च० सेठी : डिजाइन की जिम्मेदारी का जहां तक सवाल है वह तो इसी सुपरविजन में होगा ।

Shrimati Sharda Mukerjee: In the Statement, it is mentioned that the credit will be about Rs. 100.5 crores from the Russian Government. May I know what is the estimated total cost and how the rest of the money will be procured?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: The present estimate is that this would be enough. But if necessary, further negotiations will have to be started. If a few more millions will be necessary, they will perhaps assist us or we shall have to think of normal trade channels.

Mr. Speaker: Maharajkumar Vijaya Ananda.

Shrimati Sharda Mukerjee: I want to ask one more question.....

Mr. Speaker: I have called Maharajkumar Vijaya Ananda.

Shrimati Sharda Mukerjee: I am afraid the answer has not been given to my question. Will it not be about Rs. 120 crores extra?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: That is what I am answering. We cannot say it now.

Mr. Speaker: If the hon. Member knows it, why should she ask the question?

Shrimati Sharda Mukerjee: The hon. Minister said that it may be a few millions more. That was why I wanted to know.

Shri Vidya Charan Shukla: The rumour in the lobbies is like that. That is why the question has been asked.

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: I shall answer that question. It is said that this would be enough, but if any extra amount is found necessary later on, at that stage, we can either negotiate or think of other ways of financing

it, such as the normal trade channels and other methods.

Maharajkumar Vijaya Ananda: What is the foreign exchange involved, and when is the work likely to commence?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: The project report will be ready in another few months. After that, we shall place orders. The target date is 1970. By about that time we shall have the production.

Shri Daji: Is it a fact that this plant is to be built on the new open continuous hearth system bringing about a saving in the initial cost of about Rs. 50 crores and in the recurring cost of about Rs. 10 crores per year? Is that report correct?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: The project report is under preparation. All details can be had only after the project report is ready. If I say anything now, it may be incorrect.

Shri Daji: Is the project report being prepared on these lines or not?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: Yes, it is under preparation.

श्री विद्याल प्रसाद : इस स्टील प्लांट का नेट प्रोडक्शन जसा कि शुरू में सोचा गया था उससे कितना कम रहेगा तथा इसके बनाने का खर्च पहले कितना सोचा गया था और अब वह कितना कम रहेगा ?

श्री प्र० च० सेठी : नेट प्रोडक्शन उस प्लांट का 1.5—2.0 मिलियन टन प्रति साल का है ।

श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय : मैं यह जनाना चाहता हूँ कि उस प्लांट को लगाने के लिए जो जमीन ली गई है वह कितनी है और क्या यह बात सही है कि उस जमीन का जो मूआविजा है वह मार्केट रेट में नहीं दिया गया है ?

श्री प्र० च० सेठी : मूआविजा देने की कार्यवाही बिहार सरकार करेगी और वह

दिया जा रहा है और उसी मुद्राविजे के एवज में जमीन ली गई है।

Shri Vidya Charan Shukla: The Statement says that the capacity would be 1.5 or 2 million tonnes.

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: 1.5 to 2 million tonnes.

Shri Vidya Charan Shukla: May I know whether this credit of 190 million roubles would be for the capacity of 1.5 million tonnes or 2 million tonnes?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: It may not be exactly 1.5 million tonnes or 2 million tonnes; it may be in between; it may be 1.6 million tonnes or 1.7 million tonnes.

Shri Vidya Charan Shukla: To what capacity is this figure of 190 million roubles related, to 1.5 million tonnes capacity or 2 million tonnes capacity?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: That is exactly what I have answered. The capacity is above 1.5 million tonnes; it may be 1.6 million tonnes or 1.7 million tonnes. We cannot say it clearly now. Before the negotiations it was made clear that this money would be enough for that plant; as estimated, the capacity may be 1.6 million tonnes or 1.7 million tonnes.

Shri Morarka: According to the present programme of Government and the present indications, when will the actual production start in the Bokaro plant?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: By about 1970.

Shri Surendra Pal Singh: Is it a fact that under the Bokaro agreement the Russians have also promised to help India in the development of her iron ore mines, and if so, may we know the nature of the Russian offer with regard to the same?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: No, that is not a part of the agreement.

Shrimati Savitri Nigam: May I know the percentage of Indian personnel

who are going to be absorbed and who are going to work in the Bokaro Steel plant? May I also know whether any definite plan has been made for the rehabilitation of those whose lands have been taken for this plant?

Shri Sanjiva Reddy: So far as the first question is concerned, except the advisers and the people who will guide, the rest of them will all be Indians. Regarding the second question about rehabilitation, the Bihar Government are also in touch with the Central Government, and we would like to absorb as many people as possible in the non-technical jobs, from among those who have been displaced.

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Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
Shri Surendra Pal Singh:
Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
Shri D. D. Puri:
Shri Ram Harkh Yadav:
Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey:

Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an Indian Industrial Exhibition was recently inaugurated by the King of Nepal in Kathmandu;

(b) if so, the salient features of this exhibition;

(c) which aspects of the Indian industries were displayed thereat; and

(d) the total expenditure incurred thereon?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir. The Exhibition was inaugurated by the King of Nepal on the 8th January, 1965.

(b) and (c). The salient features of the Exhibition were an impressive display of a wide range of India's