

LOK SABHA

Friday, March 28, 1965/Chaitra 5, 1887  
(Saka)

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the  
Clock.

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

International Geological Conference

- +
- \*507. { Shri R. G. Dubey:  
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:  
Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:  
Shri Hukam Chand  
Kachhavaia:  
Shri Bade:  
Shri Ram Sewak:  
Shri P. G. Sen:

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

(a) whether the 22nd International  
Geological Conference was held in  
December, 1964 in Delhi;

(b) if so, the number of Delegates  
and the number of countries from  
which they attended this Conference;  
and

(c) whether any far-reaching deci-  
sions were taken at this Conference,  
if so, the broad features thereof?

The Parliamentary Secretary to  
the Minister of Steel and Mines (Shri  
Thimmaiah): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) 646 delegates from 88 countries  
attended the conference.

(c) The International Geological  
Congress is devoted to the advance-  
ment of scientific knowledge so far as  
it relates to the study of the earth  
from a geological point of view. This  
Congress affords a forum to Geolo-

2601 (A) LSD—1.

gists from all over the world to ex-  
change views on various scientific  
issues of common interest, through  
Council Meetings and Symposia etc.  
The experiences of the various Geo-  
logists and the results of their re-  
search become available to other  
scientists engaged on research on  
more or less similar problems. It is not  
the aim of the Congress to reach any  
conclusive decisions on any scientifi-  
c theory or practice of geology.  
Accordingly, the question of any far-  
reaching decisions to be taken by this  
Session did not arise.

Shri R. G. Dubey: May I know  
whether any special literature was  
issued by the Indian geologists and  
what was the reaction of the foreign  
visitors?

Shri Thimmaiah: For this Congress  
the Geological Survey of India brought  
out eight brochures dealing with the  
different aspects of Indian geology  
and minerals. In addition, they  
brought out revised geological maps  
of India and also tectonic maps of  
India and other things, which were  
very much appreciated by foreign  
visitors.

Shri R. G. Dubey: May I know  
what were the subjects discussed and  
what was the special contribution  
from the foreign geologists from  
which we could draw some lesson?

Shri Thimmaiah: Many papers were  
discussed and presented to the sec-  
tional meetings. The papers that  
were of special interest to India were  
about the possibilities of oil-bearing  
formations in India, India's recent  
efforts to find oil fields, uranium de-  
posits, about structural control of  
mineralisation for copper in Khetri  
and Singhbhum and also about gold  
in Hatti gold mines. They have also  
discussed about the exploratory work

done by us about ground water in India.

**Shrimati Savitri Nigam:** What was the main recommendation of this conference regarding the exploration of ground water and also various other minerals which have been found in great quantities in India?

**Shri Thimmaiah:** The foreign scientists brought out a paper about ground water prospects, which was very important from the point of view of ground water investigations in India. Our scientists noted it with great interest.

**श्री हुकूम खन्व कद्दावाय :** इन विशेषज्ञों ने भारत में ऐसे कितने स्थान बतलाये हैं जहाँ पर कि हम को कुछ तेल प्राप्त हो सकता है और जिस से कि हमारी आवश्यकता की पूर्ति हो सकती है ?

**The Minister of Steel and Mines (Shri Sanjiva Reddy):** They discussed in general; I do not think they picked up any particular spot and analysed it.

**Shri Kapur Singh:** Did the learned geologists assembled here indicate any possibility of the Himalayas submerging into the seas out of which they recently emerged, so as to obliterate our land frontiers with China?

**Shri Sanjiva Reddy:** That is what we read in the Press. I do not think they considered it.

**श्री म० ला० द्विवेदी :** जिम्नोलोजिकल वर्क्स के सम्बन्ध में जो विभिन्न स्थानों पर अनुसंधान चल रहे हैं उस के प्रतिवेदन या उस के सम्बन्ध में कोई विचार इस कान्फेंस में हुआ था, यदि हाँ, तो किन किन विषयों के सम्बन्ध में किया गया था और उस पर क्या निर्णय लिया गया ?

**Shri Sanjiva Reddy:** My friend explained in detail the subjects they discussed. After all, it is an international conference represented by 88 countries. You cannot expect them to go into details.

**श्री डा० ना० तिवारी :** उन प्रतिनिधियों का यह मत था कि हिन्दुस्तान अपनी धुरी से दूर हट गया है तो क्या उन की राय में यहाँ की जलवायु में भी कोई अन्तर पड़ा है या नहीं ?

**Shri Sanjiva Reddy:** I am not in a position to explain the scientific approach to it and say whether it has gone 2,000 miles or not. I do not think they discussed these details.

**Shri Sree Narayan Das:** May I know whether besides the officers of the Geological Survey of India experts from universities were also invited to participate in the deliberations; if so, how they were selected?

**Shri Sanjiva Reddy:** A large number of Indians came there as observers. There were about 35 delegates. The delegates were chosen by the Geological Survey of India; they were the organisers and they were in charge of the whole conference.

**Shri Sree Narayan Das:** I want to know whether experts from the universities were also invited?

**Shri Sanjiva Reddy:** I am not very sure about it.

#### भारतीय वाणिज्य दूत

+

\* 598. { श्री म० ला० द्विवेदी :  
श्री स० खं० सामन्त :  
श्री यज्ञपाल सिंह :  
श्री टिम्मर्तसिंहका :  
श्री रामेश्वर ठाटिया :

क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने में कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) विदेशों में स्थित भारतीय दूतावासों में वाणिज्यिक दूतों के कार्य को देखरेख की क्या व्यवस्था है तथा जिन दूतावासों का काम संतोषजनक नहीं है, उनके कार्य में सुधार करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं; और

(ख) इन दूतावासों को मुख्य रूप से क्या काम सौंपा गया है ?