

**The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah):** (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The proposal is under consideration.

**Shri Morarka:** May I know whether the proposal is to levy a cess of 1.5 per cent or 2 per cent, because there are different reports in the press?

**Shri Manubhai Shah:** It has not yet been decided. The basic-principle which we are trying to work out is that a small cess may be levied on production so that a portion of it, or a very large portion of it, may be used for export promotion. Various incentives and other assistance would be given for export purposes.

**Shri Morarka:** I want to know whether the cess would be levied on the entire production or there would be some exceptions? If so, what are the exceptions?

**Shri Manubhai Shah:** As the matter progresses, from time to time, we will consider which of the items should be taken over and which should be given exemption. In any case, the levy will be only on such volume of production which can afford it.

**Mr. Speaker:** Shri Hem Barua wanted Q. No. 1323 to be taken up. Now it may be taken up.

#### Atomic Power Plant at Tarapore

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\*1323. { Shri Osman Ali Khan:  
Shri N. R. Laskar:

Will the **Prime Minister** be pleased to state:

(a) whether a contract has been signed with U.S.A. for the erection of an Atomic Power Plant at Tarapore near Bombay; and

(b) the terms of the contract?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shri Dinesh**

**Singh):** (a) No decision has yet been taken regarding the selection of the tenderer.

(b) Does not arise.

**Shri Hem Barua:** Which are the countries that are interested in this atomic power plant—USA and France?

**Shri Dinesh Singh:** UK, France, USA and Canada.

**Shri Hem Barua:** Is it a fact that if we have a plant under the US proposal it will have to be based on enriched uranium, which we do not have, and that is why we shall have to import uranium?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** No scientific splitting or scientific conversation in answer to a question.

**Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:** Is science taboo here?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** It may or may not be. I have not got the tender before me. Whether it is so, or whether it is worthwhile having it or not is a matter for experts to decide.

**Shri Hem Barua:** In view of the fact that the whole plant is based on enriched uranium, may I know whether we shall have to import uranium?

**Shri Dinesh Singh:** As I said, the whole thing is under consideration.

**Mr. Speaker:** Shri S. N. Chaturvedi wanted S. Q. 1314 to be taken up. He may now put the question.

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