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LOK SABHA

Thursday, April 26, 1962/Vaisakha 6, 1884 (Saka)

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock.

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Security Paper Mill

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*196. Shri D. N. Tiwary;
Shri Raghunath Singh:
Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a "Security Paper Mill" is proposed to be set up at Hoshangabad (Madhya Pradesh) in collaboration with a British firm;
- (b) the requirements of Security paper in the country; and
- (c) the rated capacity of the proposed mill?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat):
(a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The current annual requirements of the Security Press are about 2100 tonnes of currency and bank note paper which are entirely imported and about 6200 tonnes of other varieties of security paper of which about 700 tonnes are also imported.
- (c) The rated capacity of the Security Paper Mill will be 2032 tonnes of currency and bank note paper per annum.
- Shri B. N. Tiwary: May I know what will be the value of the import-1035 (Ai) LSD-1.

ed paper? How much do we spend in importing this paper?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: It is Rs. 1.6 crores, which is the value of the currency and bank note paper being imported.

Shri D. N. Tiwary: By what time will this mill go into production?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: This will be commissioned by about September, 1964.

श्री रघुनाय सिंह : क्या में जान सकता हूं कि उस का जो पल्प होगा वह बाहर से भायेगा या उस को हिन्दुस्तान से लिया जायेगा just like white hemp?

श्री **ब**० रा० भगतः इस के लिए मुझे सुचना चा_{रि}ए कि इस का पत्प कहां बनेगा।

Shri Vidya Charan Shukla: May I know if the Government consulted any of the Indian Paper manufacturers before entering into collaboration agreement with the British firm for the setting up of this security paper mill?

Shri B. R. Bhagat: This matter was considered and the process being very highly technical and complicated, it was decided to set up this mill by the Government, because it was considered that no private firm was willing to do it at that time.

Shri Warlor: May I know whether this production of this paper mill will be according to the demands of the existing security press in India or will the capacity be more than the demands of the security press at present existing?

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(c) whether a gang of Jag Mal has recently energised and committed several desoities in Rajasthan; and

recently energised and committed several dacoities in Rajasthan; and (d) whether a detailed statement of

crimes committed by these gangs

during the year 1961-62 will be laid

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) There are about 15 such gangs of dacoits.

(b) The question of apprehending and liquidating these gangs has been discussed on a number of occasions at the border conferences of police officers. The results so far have not been very fruitful.

(c) Jag Mal Singh's gang was responsible for some dacoities in Rajasthan during the month of March, 1962.

(d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Shri Harish Chandra Mathur: May I know whether the hon. Home Minister has taken up this matter with his counterpart on the other side, instead of leaving it to the police officers, and more particularly in respect of the extradition of such declared offenders?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Shri Lai Bahadur Shastri): No, Sir. I have not done so. The discussions have been held at the officers' level.

Shri Harish Chandra Mathur: This question has been discussed at the officers' level for all these ten years, and we have had no success. We were assured in this House that the quesquestion regarding extradition was being taken up with the other Government. May I know what progress has been made in that regard, and why the hon. Minister has not felt it necessary to take it up at his own level?

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri: It has already been said that the progress has not been satisfactory. But it all depends on the climate, and I should take it up only at an appropriate time

Shri B. E. Bhagat: Actually, it will meet substantially the demands—not the whole of it, but a very large portion of the demand will be met.

Shri Yallamanda Reddy: When it is with the collaboration of the British firm, may I know what sort of security paper it is and what sort of security is there?

Mr. Speaker: The paper that is manufactured will be used for security purposes: not that security is to be contained in the paper.

Shri Yallamanda Reddy: When it is in collaboration with the British firm, where is the secrecy?

An Hon. Member: None . . .

Shri Yallamanda Reddy: Exactly.

Mr. Speaker: Order, order.

Shri B. R. Bhagat: The collaborators are today the suppliers of this paper and security is involved because they are the only persons who are supplying such paper. No other person will be able to manufacture it. That is the element of security.

Mr. Speaker: Next question.

Shri Harish Chandra Mathur: No. 197.

Mr. Speaker: Is that the seat where I should look to the hon. Member?

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Newly allotted seat.

Pakistani Dacoities in Indian Territories

*197. Shri Harish Chandra Mathur: Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of gangs of dacoits from Indian side who are harboured or who reside in Pakistan side and operate from there in Indian territory;
- (b) whether this matter has been discussed with Pakistan authorities and if so, with what result;