

Shri Kanungo: None of those countries have shown any interest in our shoes

Shri M. E. Krishna: May I know what amount of this contract was executed by the organisations or co-operative societies of people who are skilled workers in this industry?

Shri Kanungo: About 2,50,000 pairs of shoes were supplied by the National Small Industries Corporation who obtained the material from co-operative societies

Shri M. E. Krishna: May I know what is the number of Scheduled Caste people who have been benefited because of this contract?

Shri Kanungo: I do not assume that only Scheduled Caste people would be making shoes. There are others also. I have not got the figures about the number of Scheduled Caste people who have supplied shoes.

Shri Thimmiah: Is it a fact that a pair of shoes is being purchased by the Corporation at Rs 18 whereas it is being sold in Russia at a cost of more than Rs 100? Why is it that such a low rate is fixed?

Shri Kanungo: The figures are absolutely incorrect and it is not prudent for me to give the figures of purchase and sale price in a transaction in this House.

Visit of Pakistan Nationals to Gujerat

*1018. **Shri M. E. Thakore:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Pakistan nationals who came to Gujerat during 1956-57 to see their relations on passport facilities provided to them by Indian High Commission in Karachi; and

(b) whether it is a fact that some Pakistan nationals have also stealthily come to North Gujerat and other

parts of Gujerat via Kutch desert and Indo-Pak Border in North of Gujerat and West of Gujerat?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri Sadath Ali Khan): (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha when available.

Shri M. E. Thakore: May I know the total number of Pakistani nationals who have not yet gone back to Pakistan?

Mr. Speaker: The hon Parliamentary Secretary said that the figures are being collected.

Shri Ranga: In regard to the answer given to part (b) of the question, may I know if this infiltration is still going on? Are people still coming from Pakistan into our country through Kutch and Gujerat?

Shri Sadath Ali Khan: As I said, the information is being collected.

Shri Ranga: That is with regard to the information regarding the magnitude of the problem, but is that problem still present with us?

Mr. Speaker: He wants to know, though the actual figures are not available, if still a number of people are coming from Pakistan through Kutch and Gujerat.

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): That is to say, openly or furtively?

Shri Ranga: Whatever it is, you should be trying to get hold of them.

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: We do. If we do not, then they escape us. I do not guarantee that every person who comes in is traced but generally speaking, the people who come in without proper papers are arrested.

Mr. Speaker: Next question.

Shri Joachim Alva: One question, Sir.

Mr. Speaker: Order, order. I have called the next question.