

LOK SABHA

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The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock

[Mr. SPEAKER in the Chair]

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Jwalamukhi Oil

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\*1085. { Shri Bhakt Darshan:  
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 90 on the 16th May, 1957 and state:

(a) whether a report on the progress of drilling for oil in Jwalamukhi has been received; and

(b) if so, the nature thereof?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) and (b). Daily Reports are obtained regarding the progress of the drilling operation at Jwalamukhi. At present the depth reached is about 2841 ft. It is proposed to go down to 10,500 ft., if necessary. It is too early to come to any conclusion.

श्री भक्त दर्शन : क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि इस कार्य में देरी । देरी कब तक परिणाम निकलने की आशा की जा रही है ?

श्री के० डी० म वं.ह. : तेल निकलने के निश्चित परिणाम की कोई बात तो हम अभी कह ही नहीं सकते । ऐसा भी हो सकता है कि ड्रिलिंग १०५०० फीट तक ही जाये और तेल न निकले । अभी तो खोज पड़ताल की जा रही है और यह देखा जा रहा है कि

नीचे की चट्टानों की हालत क्या है । अगर वहाँ तेल न निकला तो दूसरी जगह ड्रिलिंग किया जायेगा ।

श्री भक्त दर्शन : क्या गवर्नमेंट के ध्यान में यह बात आयी है कि जहाँ यह ड्रिलिंग किया जा रहा है उसके समीप ही ज्वालामुखी देवी का पुराना मंदिर है, और लोगों में यह आशंका है कि कहीं ज्वालामुखी देवी की ज्वाला की लपटें समाप्त न हो जायें ? क्या इसके लिये कोई व्यवस्था की जा रही है ?

श्री के० डे० मालव.व. : हमारे पास तो अभी एंमे डरने की कोई बजह नहीं है ।

Shri Basappa: May I know whether the allotment made in the Second Five Year Plan for drilling operations has been cut down? If so, to what extent, and whether it will affect these drilling operations?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: We have not cut down expenses in the programme of drilling operations because of any financial difficulty. But on a revision of the programme, our estimates of work have shown us that perhaps there may be some delay in the first drillings, and unless the first ones are completed, the third may not be taken up. So we have taken everything into consideration and recommended that we might have to reduce our expenditure because of not taking up further drilling programme this year.

Shri Basappa: To what extent has it been revised?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: No definite idea can just now be given. We

have to wait till the result of the first drilling, and also perhaps of the second drilling, is obtained

श्री भवतः दर्शनः माननीय मंत्री जी ने मेरे उस प्रश्न का उत्तर नहीं दिया कि इसमें कितना समय लगने की आशा की जा रही है ?

श्री. के. डे. मलविया : इस समय जो बहा ड्रिलिंग ही रहा है उसकी रफ्तार धीमी है क्योंकि हमें बहुत सख्त चट्टानों का मुकाबला करना पड़ रहा है। आम तौर पर ४० या ५० फीट ड्रिलिंग ऐसी जगहों पर हो जाया करता है लेकिन यहाँ चट्टानें बहुत सख्त हैं इसलिए रफ्तार बहुत कम है। अगर हमका नीचे मुलायम तह मिल जाती है तो जल्दी काम हो जायेगा वरना पाच छ महीने लग सकत हैं।

**Shri Ranga:** May we have the assurance that the hon Minister feels confident that all the money that they would need for drilling operations would be sanctioned by the Planning Commission?

**Shri K. D. Malaviya:** Yes, So far as oil exploration is concerned, we are finding no difficulty from the Planning Commission or the Finance Ministry

#### Multipurpose Courses

\*1087 **Shri M. R. Krishna:** Will the Minister of Education and Scientific Research be pleased to state

(a) the names of the States where centres of Guide and Counselling for Multipurpose Courses have been started,

(b) whether Government is fully or partly financing such Centres, and

(c) the number of States where Multipurpose Schools are functioning without Guide and Counselling Centres?

**The Minister of State in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (Dr. K. L. Shrimali):** (a) UP

only, however, information from West Bengal and Madhya Pradesh is still awaited

(b) Subject to their inclusion in the approved educational development plan of a State the centres are assisted by Government of India at the rate of 50 per cent of the total cost

(c) 10, except West Bengal and Madhya Pradesh which have yet to reply

**Shri M. R. Krishna:** Is it a fact that the courses introduced in the multipurpose schools do not help students who are not academically-minded, all of whom will certainly not go for University education?

**Dr. K. L. Shrimali:** I have not been able to follow the question. Is the hon Member referring to the Central Educational Guidance Bureau?

**Shri M. R. Krishna:** Yes

**Dr. K. L. Shrimali:** That is a pilot scheme which the Ministry has set up recently. It has started field surveys and is working in a selected number of educational institutions

**Shri M. R. Krishna:** Is it a fact that the Government of Andhra Pradesh has asked for some assistance for setting up such a centre in Andhra Pradesh?

**Shri Ranga:** And what is the response?

**Dr. K. L. Shrimali:** I do not have any information about individual States. But there will be no difficulty as far as assistance is concerned because we are ourselves keen to start these centres

**Dr. K. B. Menon:** May I know whether Government will expedite implementation of this pilot scheme in those States where educated unemployment is more acute?

**Dr. K. L. Shrimali:** This is slightly different. The main purpose of these centres is to give educational and vocational guidance to students. The problem of unemployment is a wider