

Sir. The Foreign Secretary discussed with Mrs. Higuchi, daughter of the late Shri Rash Bihari Bose, the question of getting a portion of the ashes to India. Mrs. Higuchi has agreed to bring the ashes to Calcutta herself and hand them over to the non-official Rash Bihari Bose Memorial Committee. The exact date of her visit has not yet been settled.

श्री विभूति मिश्र मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या उस भस्मी का कुछ प्रश दिल्ली में भी रखा जायेगा ताकि यहाँ पर भी माटे देश से लोग घाने ई वे भी उसको दंड प्रगाम कर सकें ?

प्रधान मंत्री तथा संबैधानिक कार्य मंत्री :
(श्री जवाहर लाल नेहरू) जी नहीं, हम इसको पसन्द नहीं करने कि हर जगह इस किस्म के मंदिर बनाये जायें।

Raja Mahendra Pratap: I am deeply interested in this question, because he was my colleague. I believe that Government is not doing him the honour which he deserves. I just want to know whether the ashes are being brought from Japan in a cruiser or in an ordinary steamer?

Shri Sadath Ali Khan: I am afraid I am unable to enlighten the hon. Member on that point. I really do not know.

Price of Groundnut Oil Cakes

*1006. **Shri Kodiyar:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government of India that prices of groundnut oil cake have gone up considerably recently due to the liberal grant of export quotas,

(b) whether as a result of these high prices, use of groundnut oil cake for manure and cattle-feed has become uneconomical; and

(c) if so, what steps do Government propose to take to control the prices of groundnut oil cakes?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Kanungo): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Shri Nagi Reddy: This is really a surprising answer, to say that the groundnut oil cake price has not gone up and that the Government does not know about it. Is not the Government aware that due to the very policy that the Government is pursuing in declaring export quotas for groundnut oil cake that groundnut oil cake has become extremely rare for the agriculturists to improve their agricultural production?

Shri Kanungo: I have mentioned that the prices have not increased; they have dropped. That is the market report.

Shri Nagi Reddy: When have the prices stopped increasing—yesterday or today?

Shri Kanungo: For the last two weeks, the tendency has been for the prices to drop.

Shri Nagi Reddy: This is not the time for agricultural production. May I know whether the Government is aware that the prices were very high at the time of the agricultural production and that probably they have dropped during the past two weeks when agricultural production has stopped and reaping has begun?

Mr. Speaker: The Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Oil Industry

*1003. **Shri Damani:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the industry engaged in the production of oil through expellers has been passing through a period of slump; and

(b) if so, how far it has resulted in closure of units?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). So far as Government are aware, there is no such slump in the oil industry.