

## LOK SABHA DEBATES

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Wednesday, September 2, 1959/Bhadra  
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The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the  
Clock

[MR DEPUTY-SPEAKER in the Chair]

### ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

#### Co-operative Farming

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|        | + | Shri S. M. Banerjee:  |
|        |   | Shri Rajendra Singh:  |
|        |   | Shri D. C. Sharma:    |
|        |   | Shri Jagdish Awasthi: |
|        |   | Shri Vajpayee:        |
|        |   | Pandit Munishwar Dutt |
|        |   | Upadhyay:             |
| *1054. | { | Shri M. L. Dwivedi:   |
|        |   | Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: |
|        |   | Shri S. A. Mehdi:     |
|        |   | Shri Subodh Hansda:   |
|        |   | Shri R. C. Majhi:     |
|        |   | Shri Bhakt Darshan:   |
|        |   | Shri Manabendra Shah: |

Will the Minister of Community Development and Co-operation be pleased to state.

(a) whether the Government of India have received report from the Working Group set up to recommend a comprehensive programme for efficiently developing voluntary co-operative farming in the country;

(b) if so, nature of their recommendations; and

(c) the decision taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister of Community Development and Co-operation (Shri B. S. Murthy): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

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Shri S. M. Banerjee: May I know when this report is likely to be submitted?

Shri B. S. Murthy: We expected the report to be finalised in two months after the appointment of the Committee. But, the Committee is taking some more time.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: May I know whether there is an All-India Co-operative Union at Delhi and this co-operative union is being financed by the Co-operative league of United States of America and whether this fact has been brought to the notice of the hon Minister?

Shri B. S. Murthy: I do not think this question arises out of this

Shri Vajpayee: May I know what progress has been made by this group in regard to the work that has been entrusted to it?

Shri B. S. Murthy: This group has visited the State of Bombay, the State of Punjab, the State of Rajasthan, the State of Mysore, the State of Madras and the U.P., covering about 12,000 miles and spending 25 days. Yesterday, they were in Cuttack.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: I will first call Members who have sponsored the question.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Pending submission of the report of this working group, may I know what steps have been taken by the Government of India and the State Governments to implement the resolution which adopted by this Parliament?

Shri B. S. Murthy: The hon Member happens to be a member of this Committee and we are expecting his good counsel to do as much as possible for translating the resolution of the N.D.C into action.

का भक्त दर्शन : भीमन, क्या मालनीय सभी जी के ध्यान में वह बात आई है कि जब से सरकार ने को-ऑपरेटिव फार्मिंग को प्रोत्साहन देने का निश्चय किया है, तब से बड़े बड़े फार्मी वाले लोग अपने परिवार वालों की को-ऑपरेटिव सोसायटीज बना कर को-ऑपरेटिव विभाग से लाभ उठा रहे हैं ? क्या इस कमेटी को यह भी अधिकार दिया गया है कि वह इस बारे में जांच करे और सुझाव दे ?

**Shri B. S. Murthy:** I do not think this is one of the terms of reference to this committee

**Shri Tangamani:** May I know whether the decisions taken by the recent Mysore conference on Community development projects with reference to co-operatives and co-operative farming have been made available to this team?

**Shri B. S. Murthy:** Of course, they have been made available. All information regarding co-operative farming have been made available to this committee.

**Shri Braj Raj Singh:** What are the main difficulties for the delay in submitting the report?

**Shri B. S. Murthy:** This committee has been entrusted with the work of visiting and studying the existing joint co-operative farming societies and then giving their views and findings. Therefore, we are expecting the report any time. As a matter of fact, as I already stated, in two months we expected the report. But, the committee wanted some more time.

**Shri Hem Barua:** What steps have the Government so far taken to canalise the peoples awareness as claimed by Shri S. K. Dey who engineered the Community development programmes towards co-operative farming specifically?

**Shri B. S. Murthy:** All steps necessary are being taken.

**Shri Raghunir Sahal:** I would like to know whether it is proposed to create a favourable atmosphere in the country for launching a programme of co-operative farming by first starting service co-operatives all over the country, and if so . .

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** This is about the report whether that has been received or not and what has been done.

**Shri Raghunir Sahal:** I want to know whether any active steps have been taken to set up service co-operatives and what are they?

**The Minister of Community Development and Co-operation (Shri S. K. Dey):** If I may explain, Sir, the State Governments have been asked to form new service co-operatives, convert existing co-operatives into service co-operatives and create an atmosphere all over the country for promotion of the co-operative movement. We shall pursue co-operative farming as a policy as accepted by the Government. But because of experiences we already have in our country from the farms which are already in progress, we thought we could gather both the positive as well as the negative points of these farms before taking up co-operative farming in practice. Therefore this committee has been asked to go to the different States and look into the working of the existing co-operative farms both the negative features as well as the positive features and give us their report. I hope the House will appreciate the caution that we are exercising before we launch into a country-wide movement on a vital subject like this.

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Next question.

#### Agricultural Development Schemes in States

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\*1955. { **Shri R. C. Majhi:**  
**Shri Subodh Hansda:**  
**Shri S. C. Samanta:**

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposals for technical assistance to the States for