

Dr. P. Subbarayan: The brochure is already out and I think it has been well accepted by the rest of the world. Therefore, this is really a suggestion for action which I will consider.

Mr. Speaker: The Question Hour is over.

SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS

Indians in Addis Ababa

S.N. Q. 8. Shri A. M. Tariq: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to ensure the safety of Indians in Addis Ababa where rioting has taken place even in streets; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) No.

(b) The latest telegram we have received from the Embassy reports that all Indians are safe. A coup d'etat was staged in Addis Ababa on 14th December, by the Emperor's Bodyguard, during the Emperor's absence in Brazil. The question of our taking any special steps to ensure the safety of Indians can hardly arise in the circumstances. Our Diplomatic Mission always has the responsibility to do every thing possible towards this end.

Shri A. M. Tariq: May I know if the Ministry of External Affairs have received any report from our representative as to how it happened there and may I also draw the attention of the Prime Minister . . .

Mr. Speaker: Nothing happened. So far as the Indians are concerned, nothing happened.

Shri A. M. Tariq: About the whole

Mr. Speaker: I am not going to allow that question. The hon. Member only wanted to know if our Indians are safe; and the hon. Prime Minister has said, they are absolutely safe.

Shri A. M. Tariq: I would like to know whether the Ministry of External Affairs were posted with the events in Addis Ababa and whether our Ministry has received any report about the happenings there.

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: We have received brief telegraphic reports.

Shri Raghunath Singh: May I know the number of Indian nationals and people of Indian origin at present in Abyssinia?

Mr. Speaker: All that does not arise. Every Indian is safe.

Utilisation of Natural gas from Naharkatiya Oil Fields

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S.N.Q. 9. { **Shri Goray:**
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:

Will the Minister of **Steel, Mines and Fuel** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that, even after utilising the associated gas from the Naharkatiya Oil Fields, about 16 million cubic feet of it will have to be flared;

(b) whether Government propose to consider a change in their policy of not allowing private sector to put the gas to use in the form of manufacturing petro-chemical products; and

(c) what is the amount of non-associated gas that can be utilised but will have to remain unutilised till the public sector is in a position to utilise it?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) Approximately 38 million cubic feet per day of natural gas will be available for industrial and domestic consumption. The Expert Committee set up to recommend projects for the utilisation of the Naharkatiya natural gas has so far suggested 5 projects which will consume approximately 30.8 million SCFD of natural gas. Other projects