

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: Shri M. V. Krishnappa and Shri A. M. Thomas are the members from the Central Government. All the Ministers of the States are executive committee members. It also includes four Members of Parliament.

Shri Braj Raj Singh: Are there any farmers on this Committee?

Some Hon. Members rose—

Mr. Speaker: I know hon. Members specialise in particular subjects. Let them not get up and ask questions on each and every subject.

P. and T. Headquarters, Bhubaneswar

*366. **Shri Chintamani Panigrahi:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 184 on the 5th August, 1960 and state:

(a) whether lands have since been obtained in Bhubaneswar for locating the Posts and Telegraphs Headquarters there; and

(b) if so, what progress has been achieved so far in the matter?

The Minister of States in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) Yes.

(b) Steps are being taken for getting the plans ready.

Shri Chintamani Panigrahi: May I know whether the estimates for the P. & T. Headquarters to be located in Bhubaneswar has been finally prepared and by what time it is going to be completed?

Shri Raj Bahadur: Initially land was to be taken over on the basis of a lease. Subsequently, however, it was decided that we should buy it off. That has been done. Now, preliminary surveys are being made. After that, the project will be given over to the architect for design etc.

Shri Chintamani Panigrahi: May I know whether in the 1960-61 budget

grants have been made for the location of these headquarters and construction of the same in Bhubaneswar? If so, what is the amount?

Shri Raj Bahadur: I have already said that we have bought the land for Rs. 2,19,600.

Shri Chintamani Panigrahi: Are Government aware that after shifting the capital of the Orissa State to Bhubaneswar, the post offices in the capital are functioning in rented buildings.

Shri Raj Bahadur: The capital of Orissa is a new one. But new buildings are coming up. The P. & T. is also following suit.

Shri A. M. Tariq: Question No. 368.

An Hon. Member: The hon. Member has changed his seat.

Mr. Speaker: I have permitted him to occupy that seat.

Diesel Locomotives

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Shri A. M. Tariq:
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:
Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri:
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri R. C. Majhi:
Shri S. C. Samanta:
*368. { Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:
Shri Morarka:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
Shri Ajit Singh Sarhad:
Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:
Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 916 on the 31st August, 1960 and state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken by now for placing orders for manufacturing diesel locomotives in India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) and (b).

The Government has taken a decision to set up manufacture of diesel locomotives and engines in the Public Sector. Details are being worked out.

Shri A. M. Tariq: May I know how much time it will take to complete the details and start the plant?

Shri Shah Nawaz Khan: I cannot give a very definite date. Now it is rather premature to indicate a date. But I can assure the House that we shall waste no time.

Shri Vidya Charan Shukla: May I know whether the Chittaranjan Locomotive Works will be entrusted with the manufacture of diesel locomotives or whether it will be located somewhere else?

Mr. Speaker: All these questions were asked here on a prior occasion.

The Minister of Railways (Shri Jagjivan Ram): I have already answered them. If the hon. Member will refer to the proceedings, he will find the answer.

Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri: Is it a fact that 40 broad gauge and 60 metre gauge engines costing about Rs. 10 crores are to be imported before we start manufacturing these engines here?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: Yes, it is a fact.

Shri S. C. Samanta: Is it not a fact that the Planning Commission is discouraging the manufacture of diesel locomotives in India till we are self-sufficient in the oil?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: That question has been thoroughly examined and it is felt that it is necessary to dieselise certain sections of the railways. Therefore, the manufacture of diesel engines and locomotives is necessary in the country.

Shri Morarka: May I know whether any assessment of the possible demand of diesel locomotives during the Third Five Year Plan has been made? If so, what is the approximate requirement per year?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: An assessment has been made. It is likely that we will require near about 100 locomotives every year.

Shri D. C. Sharma: May I know what are the arrangements being made for the technical know-how that will be required for the manufacture of this kind of locomotives, and whether we will be self-sufficient in that respect?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: All possible arrangements will be made because unless we have the necessary know-how, the manufacture cannot be undertaken. It is an obvious thing.

श्री म० ला० द्विवेदी : रेलवे विभाग के एक इंजीनियर श्री सूरि ने सूरि ट्रांसमिशन डीजल तैयार किया है जोकि बहुत ही कम खर्चीला और लाभदायक सिद्ध होने जा रहा है। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ क्या इस किस्म के लोकोमोटिव इस डीजल ट्रांसमिशन पर बनाए जाने की योजना है? यदि हाँ, तो कब तक?

श्री जगजीवन राम : मैं ग्रानरेबिल सदस्य को कहूँगा कि सदन में इस सम्बन्ध में जो सवाल-जवाब हुए हैं उन को देख लें तो इस का जवाब उन को मिल जायगा।

Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: May I know the total number of steam locomotives which will be replaced during this year by diesel locomotives?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: The hon. Member will appreciate that the work of the railways is expanding and increasing. There is no question of replacement of steam locomotives by diesel ones. This will be in addition to that.

Shri Vidya Charan Shukla: May I know what is the anticipated capacity of production in this new unit proposed to be set up in the public sector, and whether it will manufacture only broad gauge locomotives or metre gauge locomotives also?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: The proposal is to manufacture both. As regards capacity, details are being worked out.

Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi: What is the percentage of the components for which we will have to depend on outside sources in the next Plan?

Shri Jagjivan Ram: It is premature to say definitely, but in the initial stages the percentage of imported components will be rather high.

पंडित द्वा० ना० तिवारी : क्या कोई तखमीन लगाया गया है कि बाहर से मंगाने में और यहां जो डीजल इंजिन बनेंगे उन दोनों के दाम में कितना फर्क पड़ेगा ?

श्री जगजीवन राम : आरम्भ में तो फर्क पड़ सकता है। आरम्भ में मैं समझता हूँ कि हमारा दाम ज्यादा होगा। लेकिन अगर मुल्क को इन सब मामलों में स्वावलम्बी बनाना है तो यह काम करना ही पड़ेगा।

Furnishing Unit at Integral Coach Factory

*369. **Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made up to date in regard to the Furnishing Unit at the Integral Coach Factory;

(b) the amount spent upto the end of September, 1960; and

(c) when it is likely to be completed?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) The construction of a stores shed, the majority of the staff quarters and the 2 mile-long railway siding to factory site has been completed. The work on Assembly Shop, pile foundations for other shops and the remaining quarters is in progress.

(b) Rs. 89 lakhs approximately.

(c) By the middle of 1962.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: Is the amount of Rs. 89 lakhs the expenditure only for the 9 months from January to September 1960 or does it include the Rs. 60 lakhs already spent?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: This specifically relates to the work already completed. I am not clear about the period it covers.

Shri Ramanathan Chettiar: What will be the total amount that will be spent on the scheme?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: The targeted estimate is Rs. 3.69 crores.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: The original estimate was Rs. 2.5 crores. May I know why there has been an increase by Rs. 1.19 crores?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: I do not know about the original estimate. But the project estimate for the Furnishing Unit costing Rs. 3.69 crores was sanctioned in 1956. I do not know to which estimate the hon. Member is referring.

Mr. Speaker: For every project, there must be an estimate. The hon. Member wants to know what is the estimated amount of this project and whether it has been increased, or it is only Rs. 3.69 crores.

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: The estimate for the Furnishing Unit was Rs. 3.69 crores. This was sanctioned in 1956.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: May I know whether any other ancillary works will be undertaken in this unit and whether we are getting supplies from foreign countries according to schedule?

Shri S. V. Ramaswamy: There is no question of any supplies from outside except some machinery. As regards ancillary works, the lands are being delivered to us, compound walls are