Shri Humayun Kabir: I have said that this committee is a committee of experts and it has stated that the structure is safe. All those aspects mentioned by the hon. Member must have been considered by the Committee of experts.

Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri: I agree that I am not an expert on that. But the two domes have been demolished. From the point of view of tourist interest what is being done to conserve these two domes in the character of the Chhattar Manzil, as it should be?

Shri Humayun Kabir: First of all, it is now a science laboratory and, therefore, the antiquarian interest is of very little importance. Also, we propose to completely modernise the building and not to preserve it as an antiquarian building.

Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri: We are told that Rs. 14 lakhs were spent on housing and Rs. 20 lakhs on equipment. May I know how much more has to be spent to make it quite safe so that these Rs. 20 lakhs may not be wasted?

Shri Humayun Kabir: I am afraid, the hon. Member did not listen to what I said. The expert committee has stated the building is safe. I do not know why the hon. Member still says that it is not safe.

## Barauni Refinery

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

- (a) the progress made in the construction of oil refinery at Barauni:
  - (b) when it will be completed; and
- (c) what is the annual production capacity of this refinery and what byproducts will be produced and in what quantity?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Shri Gajendra Prasad Sinha): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 101].

Shri P. K. Deo: From the statement we find that the first Barauni unit will be commissioned by October 1962 and the second unit by April 1963. For the proper functioning of this refinery, pipelines that will carry oil from the oilfields to Barauni are to be manufactured at Rourkela. So, what is the progress that has been made in the manufacture of pipelines at Rourkela?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): The pipes are already being manufactured at Rourkela. I would suggest to the hon. Member, who comes from that State, to pay a visit to the new pope mills where it is already being manufactured.

Shri P. K. Deo: May I know whether there is any proposal to extend the pipeline from Barauni to Delhi for the transport of finished products?

Sardar Swaran Singh: There has been some thinking, but I do not think that the thinking has gone to the stage of the proposal yet.

Shri P. C. Borocah: May I know whether it is a fact that the original site of the Berauni refinery has been found to be unsuitable and for the development of the same an extra expenditure of Rs. 8 crores is needed? If so, may I know whether there is any proposal of a change in the original location and whether it is proposed to be amalgamated with the refinery at Noonmati?

Sardar Swaran Singh: There is no proposal to change the refinery site. The figure of Rs. 8 crores which the hon. Member has mentioned, is not correct. Some earth work is required to be undertaken at that site, for which technical advice has been taken. There is no proposal to shift the site.

**Shri P. C. Borooah:** Is it a fact that the original site has been found to be unsuitable?

Sardar Swaran Singh: No. Sir.

Shri Morarka: The hon, Minister has just now stated that some earthwork will have to be undertaken there. May I know the approximate cost of the earthworrk?

Sardar Swaran Singh: I do not know the exact figure. It may be of the order of Rs. 50 lakhs or so. But I am not giving any firm figure.

Pandit D. N. Tiwari: May I know whether the recent visit of the Minister of Oil, Shri K. D. Malaviya, was in connection with seeing whether the land at Barauni has to be filled by more than 5 or 6 ft.? If so, have arrangements been made for that?

Sardar Swaran Singh: Generally a Minister's visit is not to supply any technical lacuna. It is for the engineers and the technicians to come to a conclusion as to what engineering works, earth works or foundation and the like are to be undertaken. There was some confusion in the minds of the people on account of certain reports appearing in the press. My colleague, Shri K. D. Malaviya, went to the site and then he made a statement that the site was not being shifted.

Shri Mahanty: May I know whether there has been any delay beyond the original schedule for the completion of the refinery in Barauni and, if so, the reasons therefor?

Sardar Swaran Singh: The schedule is given here and it should be regarded as the schedule. There is no question of any original schedule, second schedule and third schedule.

Shri Hem Barua: May I know whether Government propose to maintain parity so far as the production pattern is concerned between the Barauni refinery and the Noonmati refinery?

Mr. Speaker: Is there any allocation?

Sardar Swaran Singh: Yes, that is all contained in the statement. On page 2 of the statement a detailed picture of annual production is given.

Shri Hem Barua: I have it with me. I just wanted to know from him whether any parity is sought to be maintained between pattern of production in the Noonmati refinery and the pattern of production of the Barauni refinery. I wanted to know the overall picture of the two refineries.

Sardar Swaran Singh: The overall picture is given in the statement. There is no theory behind it. Actually, I have given the figure that the Barauni refinery will produce so much of motor gasoline, so much of jet fuel, so much of superior kerosine and so on. With regard to Noonmati also we have given the production pattern. You may call it parity or you may use any noun for it.

Shri P. K. Deo: From the statement we find that some railway sidings are being built. Are we to understand that the railway siding would be of the metre-gauge of the North Eastern Railway as well as broad-gauge of the Eastern Railways?

Sardar Swaran Singh: The virtue of the site was that the metre-gauge and broad-gauge meet there. These are operational things as to what will be the length of the metre-gauge and what will be the length of the broad-gauge. But there are good railway facilities there for transhipment from one gauge to the other.

Shri P. C. Borooah: May I know how the associated gas that will be available from the crude oil of Barauni is going to be utilised?

Sardar Swaran Singh: That does not arise out of this question. But, the other day, my colleague, Shri K. D. Malaviya, gave detailed information about the utilisation of gas.

Shri P. C. Borooah: What are the by-products that will be obtained from the Barauni refinery?

Sardar Swaran Singh: They are all contained in the statement on page 2. I have given as many as 14 items there and if the hon. Member studies them carefully he will get all the information.

Oral Answers

## Import of Machinery for Korasia Collieries

\*1089. Shri Subiman Ghose: Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

- (a) whether heavy machinery (Drug line) was recently imported and carried in large number of wagons for Korasia Collieries in Madhya Pradesh:
- (b) if so, whether it is the first of its kind in Asia;
- (c) the price and cost incurred for its carriage to the collieries;
- (d) whether American experts came for putting it into operation;
- (e) if so, the remuneration paid to the experts and how long they worked:
- (f) whether the machinery has gone into operation; and
  - (g) if not, the reason therefor?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Shri Gajendra Prasad Sinha): (a) and (b).

- (c) The price of the machine is 38.38 lakhs, c.i.f., Calcutta port. The cost incurred on its carriage from the port to the colliery is Rs. 0.86 lakhs (approximately).
- (d) Yes, one expert worked for 4 months from April to August, 1960, supervising the erection of the dragline.
- (e) Under the terms of the contract, no remuneration is due to the American expert for supervising the assenbling of the machine at site and erection.
  - (f) No.
- (g) The erection of the machine has been completed. The energising of

the machine now remains to be done. For this purpose electric power will be available in about a month's time. After necesary adjustments and testing, the machine is expected to go into operation by the end of January 1961 or soon thereafter.

Shri Subiman Ghose: Is it a fact that the power house where the machinery will be fitted has been opined by the American experts as small and that it will not accommodate the machinery?

The Minister of Steel. Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): Not to my knowledge,

## International Hydroghaphic Bureau

\*1091. Shri Kalika Singh: Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) the nature, constitution and working of International Hydrographic Bureau and its activities India:
- (b) the Indian personnel associated with the Bureau and advantages accruing to India from it; and
- (c) since when the Bureau is functioning in India and under what authority?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Shri Raghuramaiah): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha, [See Appendix III, annexure No. 1021.

Shri Kalika Singh: From the statemenf laid on the Table it appears that India became a member of the International Hydrographic Bureau 1956 and a representative of attended the meeting of the Bureau in 1957. It is also stated that steady progress in international co-operation has resulted from this. May I know whether the countries which are represented there included (KMT) and South Korea but do not proper North include China OF Korea? Has it resulted in international co-operation with a particular