

Mr. Speaker: Is it part of the negotiations?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: Yes, Sir. As it is part of the negotiations, I would not like to give the details now.

Barauni Refinery

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Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Pangarkar:
Shri Nathwani:
Shri Morarka:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
Sardar Iqbal Singh:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 316 on the 21st November, 1960 and state:

(a) whether the detailed project report of oil refinery at Barauni has since been received; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of Mines and Oil (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of the Project Report have not yet been finalised as these are under discussion between the Indian Refineries Limited and the Soviet Experts.

Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: The same was the reply on the previous occasion also. May I know what are the reasons for so much delay and by what time it will be finalised?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: Unfortunately I have not changed my reply since the last one, because the negotiations and discussions are still going on and the detailed project is being considered between ourselves and the Soviet experts. I suppose within the next few days, if I am not wrong, we will reach some conclusions.

Shri D. C. Sharma: May I know whether the Soviet experts are meeting our technical personnel in arriving at conclusions with regard to these negotiations or meeting the directors of the Indian Refineries Limited?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: I do not know who exactly are the personnel who are having these discussions, because the Indian Refineries Limited have to be enquired. But presumably the Managing Director, along with his group of experts, must be meeting them.

Shri Nathwani: May I know if any foreign experts have been invited to select the site and, if so on how many occasions?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: Foreign experts have not been invited exactly for selecting the site. The selection of the site was done by our own people. When, later on, some experts came here in connection with other work, their opinion also was sought.

Shri Morarka: The hon. Minister said that the project report is not finalised yet and it would be finalised within the next few days. May I know how much of expenditure has already been incurred on this particular project for construction and levelling of the site etc; and also whether it is safe to proceed without finalising the detailed report? We have already spent something for filling up the site etc.

Shri K. D. Malaviya: Broadly speaking, the levelling of the ground and raising it has not much to do with the change or modification in the project pattern of the refinery which has mostly to deal with the details of the project report. But it is true that certain changes may be required in the ultimate programme of production of various products. For that, I do not think any basic change in expenditure will be called for.

Shri Jaganatha Rao: May I know if the site selected is not within the seismic zone so that the cost of construction may not increase at a later stage?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: Unfortunately, most of the northern regions of the country lie in the seismic zone. We have got to find some solution for doing our work even though they be in the seismic region.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: In reply to a question of December 23, it was stated that the detailed project report will be received by December, 1960 and that the first 1 million unit will be commissioned by October-December, 1962. In view of the delay in receiving the detailed project report, may I know whether there will be any change in the time schedule?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: We do not contemplate any delay in the execution of the first phase of the plan on account of the few weeks' delay in receiving the detailed project report.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: It was proposed that some Indian trainees would be sent to the Soviet Union for training on the erection, maintenance and operation of the refineries. May I know whether they have been sent?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: Yes; they might have left yesterday or they may be leaving today.

Shri Hem Barua: May I know what is going to be the production pattern of the Barauni refinery? May I know whether the original pattern is going to be affected by this project report?

Shri K. D. Malaviya: It is precisely the production programme that is under discussion these days. There may have to be some changes on account of the quality of crude oil. But, we are trying to avoid any changes because the details are all laid down now and it will be much easier and smoother for us to stick to the detailed recommendations. Perhaps, if there are some defects in the details we may have to change.

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क्या वैज्ञानिक अनुसन्धान और सांस्कृतिक-कार्य मंत्री २ दिसम्बर १९६० के प्रतीकित

प्रश्न संख्या ११७६ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) भारत के स्वतंत्रता संग्राम के सैनिकों की संक्षिप्त जीवनियां प्रकाशित करने की योजना के अन्तर्गत विभिन्न राज्यों में अब तक क्या प्रगति हुई है ;

(ख) स्वयं केन्द्रीय सरकार ने इस बारे में क्या किया है ;

(ग) इस प्रयोजन के लिये प्रत्येक राज्य सरकार को कितना-कितना अनुदान देने का प्रावधान दिया गया है ; और

(घ) उन प्रावधानों पर अब तक कहाँ तक अग्रगण्य हुआ है ?

The Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs (Shri Humayun Kabir): (a) The Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Jammu and Kashmir, Kerala, Punjab and Uttar Pradesh have already started work. The matter is being pursued with the remaining States.

(b) The Government of India have advised the State Governments regarding the general pattern and scope of the lists to be prepared by them. When all the State Governments have their basic material, the Government of India may take up the question of bringing out a consolidated list.

(c) and (d). It has been decided to extend financial assistance to State Governments at 33½ per cent of the approved expenditure. The State Governments are being informed accordingly.

श्री भक्त दर्शन : श्रीमान् क्या राज्य सरकारों से यह अनुरोध किया गया है कि किसी निश्चित अवधि के अन्दर इस कार्य को समाप्त करदे क्योंकि इसमें पहले ही काफी देरी हो चुकी है ?

Shri Humayun Kabir: Sir, no time limit can be set as such. But, we hope that the work will be completed within about 2 years. Some of