

been able to find out the source of supply of arms and ammunitions to the hostile Nagas?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: There used to be large dumps there which were left over from piles of last war; they are easily available to anybody; they are subsequently wiped out. There is no specific information about these supplies; perhaps they might have trickled in. I rather doubt that any large quantity had gone in there.

Shrimati Ma Palchoudhury: I want to ask one more question.

Mr. Speaker: I am calling the next question; I have already allowed three questions.

बर्से का नमूना

*३६०. श्री श्री नारायण दास : क्या वाणिज्य तथा उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) अखिल भारतीय खादी तथा ग्रामीणोद्योग बोर्ड द्वारा समुन्नत बर्से का आविष्कार करने के लिये जो एक लाख रुपये के इनाम की घोषणा की गई थी, उसके उत्तर में अब तक कितने नमूने प्राप्त हुए हैं ;

(ख) क्या ऐसा कोई नमूना प्राप्त हुआ है जो सभी या अधिकांश शर्तों को पूरा करता है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसके आविष्कारक कौन-कौन हैं और उस समुन्नत बर्से की विशेषतायें क्या हैं ?

वाणिज्य मंत्र. (श्री कानूनगो) : (क) इनाम की घोषणा के उत्तर में समुन्नत बर्से का कोई नमूना अभी तक प्राप्त नहीं हुआ है। पर प्रतियोगिता से नमूने भेजने की प्रक्रिया अब समाप्त नहीं हुई है।

(ख) और (ग). प्रश्न हं नहीं उठते।

श्री श्रीनार.यण दास : मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि अब जो तिथि निश्चित की गई है,

क्या उसको बढ़ाने का सरकार का विचार है ?

श्री कानूनगो : जी नहीं, अभी तो जो तारीख निश्चित की गई है वह ३० जून है और हमारे पास कोई चार सौ इनक्वायरीज आई हैं। हमें उम्मीद है कि इस बीच में कुछ और इनक्वायरीज आ जायेंगी।

श्री श्रीनार.यण दास : इस तरह के जो नमूने मांगे गये हैं, क्या ये विदेशों से भी मांगे गये हैं ?

श्री कानूनगो : अपने देश से ही आ सकते हैं, दूसरे देशों से मंगाने की क्या जरूरत है।

Research in Nuclear Science

*391. **Shri Jhulan Sinha:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether the services of the universities and research institutions in the country are being utilised for research in nuclear science and on problems connected with atomic energy; and

(b) if so, the grants made for these purposes during the last two years?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) Yes.

(b) A statement showing the grants paid during the years 1955-56 and 1956-57 to the various Ministries and Research Institutions for research in nuclear science and on problems connected with atomic energy is laid on the Table of Lok Sabha. [See Appendix III, annexure No. 4.]

Shri Jhulan Sinha: The statement disclosed a reduction of grants for the year 1956-57. May I enquire whether this is due to lack of efforts by the universities or by Government or due to some other causes?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: The hon. Member asks why, in the second year, there has been a reduction in the

grants. I am sorry I cannot say. May be, the work has been done. I shall have to look into it. As will be seen from this, grants have been given to the University of Delhi, University of Madras, University of Calcutta and also College of Science and Technology, University of Bombay Andhra University, Waltair, and also other institutions in New Delhi, Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Tambaram, Poona and so on. Unless I enquire into each case, it is difficult to answer.

Shri Sambandam: May I know whether these institutions have submitted any report about research in nuclear science?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: Yes, Sir; they send their reports from time to time, naturally; otherwise, the grants would not be continued.

Middle Class Family Budget Survey

*392. **Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made regarding the All India Middle Class Family Budget Survey; and

(b) when this survey is likely to be concluded?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): (a) and (b). A scheme prepared by the Central Statistical Organisation for conducting an All-India Middle Class Family Budget Survey was considered at the second meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee on Cost of Living Index Numbers in September 1956 and the broad outlines of the proposed survey were laid down. Further details regarding the design of the survey, content of the questionnaire, etc., were discussed at the third meeting of the Committee held on 23rd and 24th May, 1957. Efforts are being made to finalise the detailed pattern of the Survey and conduct it as early as possible.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: May I know whether the scope of the survey will be confined only to the construction of cost of living index numbers, or will it also include the study of levels of cost of living in this class?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: If you desire, Sir, I can read out the terms of reference; they are rather lengthy. The terms of reference are:

- (i) Examination of proposals for the conduct of family budget enquiries by the State Governments or the Central Government.
- (ii) Examination of the schemes prepared by the State Governments or Central Government for the construction of Cost of Living Index Numbers.
- (iii) Examination of special difficulties pointed out by the State Governments or the Central Government in compilation of Cost of Living Index Numbers.
- (iv) Improvement of the basis of Cost of Living Index Numbers, including standardisation of definitions, concepts etc., and of methods of collection of prices and compilation of index numbers.
- (v) Consideration of any special problems arising in the compilation of a weighted All-India Cost of Living Index.
- (vi) Any other matters relating to the compilation or publication of Cost of Living Index Numbers."

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: In reply to a question some months ago, it was stated that the question as to whether the scope of the survey should be confined only to the construction of the cost of living index number or also to the study of the living of this class has to be decided in consultation with the Ministry of Finance. May I know whether that has been done?