

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** Sir, we have arranged, as I said previously, thousands of demonstrations. In addition to that, we are providing fertilisers without any payment at the present moment. In many States, they are also giving them seed which will not be paid for immediately but only when the harvest is reaped. Thirdly, all information and technical guidance is being given by the State departments.

**श्री विमल मिश्र :** क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि जिन लोगों को कृषि पंडित की उपाधियाँ मिली हैं उन लोगों ने किस प्रकार से पैदावार का काम किया है, और अगर कृषि पंडितों ने जापानी मैथड से जो पैदा होता है उस से ज्यादा पैदा किया है तो उन के मैथड से सरकार क्यों काम नहीं लेती है ?

**Dr. P. S. Deshmukh:** Is it a question or is it a speech, Sir? I have not been able to follow.

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** This matter has been dealt with sufficiently. I will proceed to the next question.

**Shri V. P. Nayyar rose—**

**Shri Boovaraghasamy:** What is the difference in production between the Japanese method of cultivation and the method of rice cultivation in South India?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** No, no. This matter has been coming up....

**Shri Boovaraghasamy:** I want to know the difference....

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** No. I will proceed to the next question.

**एयरबेज इण्डिया के डकोटा के साथ दुर्घटना**

\*२०१४. श्री रघुनाथ सिंह : क्या संघरक्ष मंत्री यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सत्य है कि १४ अप्रैल, १९५३ को एयरबेज इण्डिया का एक डकोटा बिमान गोहाटी से कलकत्ता जाने हुए दुर्घटनाग्रस्त हो गया था ; तथा

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो दुर्घटना के क्या कारण थे और इस में कितनी हानि हुई थी ?

**The Deputy Minister of Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The accident is still under investigation. As a result of the accident, the crew consisting of a pilot, co-pilot and a Radio Officer lost their lives. The aircraft was completely destroyed and the freight that was on board was lost.

**श्री रघुनाथ सिंह :** क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि हवाई जहाज के उड़ने के पहिले उसकी पूरी पूरी जांच हुई थी ?

**श्री राज बहादुर :** जी हाँ, यह नियम है कि हवाई जहाज के उड़ने से पहले उस की पूरी जांच हो और उसके ठीक होने का सर्टिफिकेट दिया जाय ।

**श्री यू० एम० त्रिबेदी :** क्या यह नियम माना गया था ?

**श्री राज बहादुर :** जी हाँ, यह नियम हमेशा अनिवार्य रूप से माना जाता है ।

**श्री रघुनाथ सिंह :** क्या उन पाइलटों की जांच होती है कि वे शराब पीकर तो हवाई जहाजों को नहीं चलाते हैं ?

**श्री राज बहादुर :** एयरोड्रोम आफिसर होता है जो सब की निगरानी करता है और अगर कोई ऐसा व्यक्ति है तो इसका पूरा प्रबन्ध है कि उस को न भेजा जाय ।

**श्री नामधारी :** अगर एयरोड्रोम आफिसर खुद ही पीने वाला हो तो क्या हो ?

**श्री राज बहादुर :** इसका इलाज तो प्राहिबिशन ही है ।

**Shri Feroze Gandhi:** May I know, Sir, whether the manufacturers had declared the Dakota to be scrap in the year 1960?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** I am not aware of any such declaration on the part of the manufacturers.

**Shri Feroze Gandhi:** Will the hon. Minister kindly make enquiries?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** The experts who examined them have said that they will have a life till 1960. They are periodically undergoing complete overhaul, which makes them as good as new ones.

**Shri Feroze Gandhi:** I was not talking about the experts. I was talking of the manufacturers themselves.

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** No, Sir. I do not think that even the manufacturers have said what the hon. Member suggests.

**Shri A. N. Vidyalkar:** May I know, Sir, whether any enquiry was held into the accident and whether any advice was tendered and how far that advice was followed?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** As I have already stated in my reply, the whole thing is under investigation still.

**Shri Jaipal Singh:** The hon. Minister said that by the renewal of the 'airworthiness' certificate, the life of a Dakota would extend up to 1960. May I know, Sir, how many spare engines we have in this country?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** I am not aware of the position of the spare engines, as such.

**Shrimati A. Kale:** May I know, Sir, what is the net result of all these enquiries that are taking place day by day?

**Shri C. D. Pande:** More accidents!

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** It is a general question.

**Shri B. S. Murthy:** May I know, Sir, whether the crew are subjected to medical examination before they take off?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Is it the practice to subject them to medical examination?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** Of course, a thorough check is made to ensure that the pilots are sober.

**Shri T. N. Singh:** May I know, Sir, whether in the recent accidents of Dakotas—not only in this but in other Dakotas as well, the cause of the accidents has been mostly attributable to defects in the machines or to other causes like weather or bad piloting?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** During the course of the last twelve or eighteen months, I am not quite sure of the period—8 accidents have occurred and they have been mostly attributed by the inquiring officers to pilot errors.

**Shri Pocker Saheb:** May I know, Sir, after these accidents, what steps the Government have taken to prevent recurrence of such accidents? What instructions have been given in the matter?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** All possible steps are being taken, but as long as the element of human error is there, I am afraid I cannot say that accidents will not occur.

**Shri Joachim Alva:** After a number of repeated Dakota aircrashes, are the Civil Aviation department in communication with the manufacturers in regard to the type of these planes?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** The question is based on a certain presumption—of a number of Dakota air crashes. We have information to the effect that only 2 accidents have occurred during the recent period of twelve months so far as passenger aircraft are concerned in one of which no human life was lost.

**Shri Feroze Gandhi:** May I know, Sir, whether the Minister would kindly enquire from the manufacturers whether they are prepared to certify that these aircraft can be used after 1960?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** Surely, Sir. I will do that.

**Shri Jaipal Singh:** Last Saturday, my hon. friend, Mr. Avinaslingam Chettiar asked a question. But both the Ministers were then absent because they were at the site of the accident. May I, Sir, with your permission request that that question be answered, now that the Deputy Minister is here.

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** What is that question?

**Shri Jaipal Singh:** Mr. Chettiar will repeat it.

**Shri S. V. Ramaswamy:** Is there a definite unambiguous instruction to the pilots not to proceed when there is a bad weather report?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** Sir, that is not only the responsibility of the pilot but the responsibility of the operating officer on the spot also, and he will not permit taking off if it is prohibited under the rules.

**Shri S. V. Ramaswamy:** Are the Government aware that they do exercise their option and proceed in spite of warning?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Then they die.

**Shri T. N. Singh:** In view of the fact that in this House opinions have been expressed that due to bad servicing or due to the manufacturers' own views on the matter, there is less security in Dakotas, will the Minister kindly make a specific statement on that question as early as possible, if not today, in order to allay public misgivings?

**Shri Raj Bahadur:** Sir, I will bear that suggestion in mind and will give all due consideration to it.

#### INLAND TOURISTS

\*2015. **Shri Madiah Gowda:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) what facilities are provided to inland tourists; and

(b) whether all the facilities provided to the overseas tourists are also given to inland tourists?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan):** (a) and (b). The Government of India are for the present taking steps to develop tourist traffic from abroad, and no special facilities are provided for internal tourists. Steps are, however, being taken to revive tourist traffic to hill stations.

**Shri Madiah Gowda:** May I know whether the inland tourists are not entitled to have the same facilities from the Government as the foreign tourists have?

**The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):** They have all the facilities, Sir; but, Government is at present interested in developing foreign tourist traffic. It is not as if the inland tourists go without any facilities.

**Shri N. M. Lingam:** May I know, Sir, the specific steps taken to promote inland tourist traffic to hill centres?

**Shri Alagesan:** As far as hill stations are concerned, owing to various causes they are on the decline but we are trying to revive this inland tourist traffic to the hill stations. There are various Advisory Committees and Traffic Bureaus functioning in all these hill stations and recently, it has come to our notice that they suffer for want of finance. In the recent Conference that we held of State Governments, we asked them to look into this question and provide help.

**Shri N. M. Lingam:** May I know if useful handbooks, and brochures are issued by the Regional Tourist Offices for the guidance of tourists?

**Shri Alagesan:** Certainly, Sir, we are issuing these various guides, folders and posters and other things.

**श्री भक्त वृंक्षन :** क्या माननीय मंत्री महोदय यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि हिमालय के जो रमणीक स्थल हैं क्या उन के लिये पर्यटन, बड़ाने के सम्बन्ध में कोई विशेष योजना बनाई जा रही है ?

**श्री शाहनवाज खां :** जी हां, और रेलवे ऐडमिनिस्ट्रेशन किराये में भी कमी कर रहा है ।

**Shri U. M. Trivedi:** May I know whether the pilgrims are also afforded the same facilities as the tourists?

**Shri Shah Nawaz Khan:** No. At present we are not able to cope with such a large number of pilgrims.

**Shri B. S. Murthy:** May I know, Sir, the chief facilities that are provided to the inland tourists?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** I am sure there are books and they are printed. I cannot go on allowing all these questions to occupy the rest of the time.

**Shri Nanadas:** May I know whether any statistics regarding inland tourist traffic are being collected.

**Shri Alagesan:** No statistics are being collected.