

टुएण्ट असेम्बली के सामने तीन वर्ष पहले यह सब बहस हो चुकी है। सरदार पटेल ने बार बार कहा है, सब मामला तय हो चुका है।

Shri T. S. A. Chettiar: May I know, Sir, whether this Agreement about exemption is for the life-time of the Ruler or whether it is for all time?

Dr. Katju: This is unfortunately what has been put in the national language at times. The answer is that they are for generation to generation.

WOMEN'S SAVINGS MOVEMENT

*719. **Sardar A. S. Saigal:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) how far Women's Savings Movement is getting response from non-official bodies;

(b) how much money has so far been received through this campaign;

(c) how much grant Government have sanctioned to the participating organisations;

(d) how the grant will be distributed among the participating organisations; and

(e) how many all-India bodies and organisations have been requested to participate in this savings movement?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri A. C. Guha): (a) to (e). As I have stated in reply to earlier questions on this subject, viz., starred questions. No 152 and 478 answered on the 5th and 13th August 1953 respectively, a Women's Savings Week was observed at a few places in March 1953 and resulted in a collection of Rs. 42 lakhs. in view of the encouraging results of that week it has been decided to put the Women's Savings Campaign on a more regular footing and a non-official Central Advisory Committee has been constituted recently to assist in guiding and co-ordinating this work and advising Government and the various women's and other social organisations in the country. The first

meeting of the Committee was held on the 3rd of this month and it is proposed to start on an intensive campaign under the aegis of this Committee from October next. It is proposed to select 100 organizations of various types for the first year as authorised agents to mobilise Small Savings. These organizations will not get any grant but will be entitled to the usual commission of 1½ per cent. on the sale of 12-Year National Savings Certificates.

Sardar A. S. Saigal: May I know the names of the members of the Central Advisory Committee?

Shri A. C. Guha: This was published in the papers in an official notification. Anyhow I shall read out the names: Chairman: Mrs. Hannah Sen; Members: Mrs. M. K. Vellodi, Mrs. D. J. Majumdar, Shrimati Gnanakumari Heda, Shrimati Gulestan Billimoria, Shrimati Nallamuthu Ramamurthy, Shrimati Leela Damodara Menon, Shrimati Renuka Ray (she has since, I think, refused to accept the membership and Miss Meera Dutt Gupta has been proposed), Shrimati Pushpalata Das, Shrimati Bharatidevi Ranga, Shrimati Vimlabai Deshmukh, Shrimati Pushpavati Mehta, Shrimati P. Naidu and Kumari Premvati Thapar.

Sardar A. S. Saigal: What was the decision taken by the Central Advisory Committee?

Shri A. C. Guha: That was also a recent matter and published in the papers. The Committee passed certain resolutions, and most important of them is that a target of Rs. 8 crores has been fixed to be collected through the agency of this Committee. And they have selected nine Women's organisations whose subsidiary or affiliated bodies will be allowed to be enlisted as authorised agents for this purpose.

शाला अचिन्त राम : क्या माननीय मंत्री कृपा कर के बतला सकेंगे कि कौन से प्रदेश हैं जहाँ इस मूवमेन्ट ने ज्यादा प्रगति की है ?

Shri A. C. Guha: Sir, it is a very vague question. It is not possible...

Lala Achint Ram: What are the States in which the Movement has been able to make much headway?

Shri A. C. Guha: I have been able to follow the Hindi all right. But it is difficult to give an opinion as to which State has made headway and which has lagged behind. I think all the States have made certain collections, and a few days ago I have laid these figures before the House.

Shrimati Reun Chakravartty: May I know how much was collected during the Women's Savings Week, and how much since then?

Shri A. C. Guha: Rs. 42 lakhs have been raised.

Shrimati Renu Chakravartty: My question was how much was raised during that Week and how much since.

Shri A. C. Guha: Rs. 42 lakhs have been collected in that Week. It was a campaign for a week in some places and in certain places for a fortnight, and Rs. 42 lakhs have been collected during the campaign.

Shrimati Renu Chakravartty: The hon. Minister stated just now that a Committee has been set up on a permanent basis. Therefore my question.

Shri A. C. Guha: I have said that Rs. 42 lakhs have been collected in the Campaign of one week, and now very recently a permanent body has been set up, and that will conduct the campaign for a year, starting from October. No question of collection since then has yet arisen. And the target, as I stated, is Rs. 8 crores to be collected in the course of one year.

Shrimati Renu Chakravartty: May I know if any review has been made as to how much has been raised in the various sections of women—peasants, workers, middle-class?

Shri A. C. Guha: I am afraid no such figure is available with me.

श्री रघुनाथ सिंह: इस आर्गेनाइजेशन को संगठित करने में एक्सपेंसेज कितने होंगे।

Shri A. C. Guha: The expense incurred during that women's campaign was very low compared to the expenses generally incurred for authorised agents.

UTILISATION OF LOW GRADE MANGANESE ORE

*720. **Sardar A. S. Saigal:** (a) Will the Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research be pleased to state whether the Metallurgical Laboratory has evolved any method for the utilisation of low grade manganese ore?

(b) If so, what steps have Government taken to popularise this method and how will the mine owners be benefited?

The Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and Scientific Research (Shri K. D. Malaviya): (a) and (b). Experiments on a laboratory scale conducted by the Indian Bureau of Mines in collaboration with the National Metallurgical Laboratory, Jamshedpur have established that low grade ores can be utilised after beneficiation. Pilot plant investigations are now contemplated. Industry will be advised after these are completed.

सरदार ए० एस० सहगल : क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि मैटलर्जिकल कार्यालय को स्थापित करने में कितना खर्च लगेगा ?

श्री के० डी० मालवीय : गालिबन आप का इशारा पाइलट स्केल कारखाने की ओर है। मैं इस के बारे में यह तो नहीं कह सकता कि इस में क्या खर्च होगा, लेकिन सेन्ट्रल प्राविन्सेज मैंगनीज और कम्पनी ने अपना कारखाना लगा दिया है और गालिबन कुछ हफ्ता के बाद पाइलट प्लान्ट वहाँ चालू हो जायेगा।

सरदार ए० एस० सहगल : मध्य प्रदेश में जो मैंगनीज है उसमें जो घटिया क्रिस्म का