

- (2) To make necessary recommendations concerning such other matters of health importance as might fall within its competence.

**Pandit D. N. Tiwary:** Was it not possible for the Government to incorporate both the Committees into one and thus avoid extra expenditure?

**Shri K. C. Reddy:** It would be false economy to restrict the number of committees to either one or two. These are days of specialisation and one committee is expected to deal with one aspect of the Penicillin Project and the other committee is expected to deal with another aspect. It was only after taking all the aspects into consideration that these two separate committees were set up for two separate purposes.

**Pandit D. N. Tiwary:** May I know what are the expenses on these two different committees?

**Shri K. C. Reddy:** The expenses, if I may say so, will be negligible when compared to the investment on this project. After all, these committees have met only once each by now and their expenses and all those things are regulated by the standing finance provisions.

**Dr. Rama Rao:** May I know by which date this project is likely to go into production and produce actual penicillin?

**Shri K. C. Reddy:** I have already answered that question several times on the floor of this House. The seeding will commence at the end of this year and harvesting a little time later.

#### SECOND FIVE YEAR PLAN

\*1313. **Pandit Munishwar Datt Upadhyay:** Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state what is the scope of Irrigation Projects in the Second Five Year Plan?

**The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathl):** The scope of Irrigation Projects for the Second Five Year Plan is not defined or restricted.

**Pandit Munishwar Datt Upadhyay:** May I know if the U.P. Government have sent up any schemes and whether they have been sanctioned?

**Shri Hathl:** The U.P. Government have sent some schemes but they are still to be examined by the Technical Advisory Committee set up by the Planning Commission.

**Pandit Munishwar Datt Upadhyay:** I want to know whether the Government propose to start any new big irrigation projects during this Second Five Year Plan, or only the old projects are to be continued during this period?

**Shri Hathl:** It is not that the old projects are only to be continued; new schemes are also to be taken up.

**Pandit Munishwar Datt Upadhyay:** May I know what are those schemes, if any, in U.P.?

**Shri Hathl:** That will depend on the recommendations of the Technical Advisory Committee that has been set up by the Planning Commission. In the first place, all the schemes have to be scrutinised by them.

**Shri L. N. Mishra:** May I know if the special committee appointed for the purpose under the chairmanship of the Deputy Minister of Irrigation, has reviewed the recommendations received from different States, and if not, what steps are taken in that direction?

**Shri Hathl:** That committee examined the schemes received from the States; they are now being examined technically.

#### FILM PUBLICITY DIVISION

\*1314. **Shri Madhao Reddi:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) the number of officers from the Film Publicity Division of the Information and Broadcasting Ministry sent to the United States of America and United Kingdom for further training; and

(b) the expenditure incurred on them?

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar):** (a) Four.

(b) No expenditure on their training abroad is being borne by the Government of India.

**Shri Bahadur Singh:** What are the special subjects relating to the production of films in which these officers going out will get training?

**Shri Karmarkar:** The subjects are as follows:—

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| Shri Bhavnani | . Study of latest techniques of development in childrens' features, animation work, colour processing and direction of scientific and educational films. |
| Shri Verma    | . Training in animation photography.   |
| Shri Wadhvani | . Training in production of educational, instructional and children's films.   |
| Shri Kulkarni | . Training in stage designing, make-up art etc.  |

**Shri Bahadur Singh:** May I know why these officers were sent to U.K. and the United States of America only and why not to other countries?

**Shri Karmarkar:** Because it was found useful to send them there.

#### STEEL PLANT

\*1316. **Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:** Will the Minister of Production be pleased to state whether the construction of the steel plant at Rourkela has started?

**The Minister of Production (Shri K. C. Reddy):** Actual construction work of the Steel Plant has not yet commenced but progress has been made in respect of the essential preliminaries. The Technical Consultants have submitted their Preliminary Project Report on the Plant, which has

been accepted by Government with some modifications. The contour survey of the Rourkela area, the hydrographic survey of the potentialities for water supply from the river Brahmani, and the bearability tests of the soil have been carried out. The Meteorological Department have established a temporary Meteorological Observatory at Rourkela. The Indian Bureau of Mines has already taken up the work of proving and prospecting of the iron ore in the neighbourhood of Rourkela for the Hindustan Steel Limited.

I may add, Sir, that in the very near future I will place a statement on the Table of Lok Sabha giving further details about the progress made in regard to this project.\*

**Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:** May I know by what time the actual construction is expected to be started and the production thereon?

**Shri K. C. Reddy:** As the hon. Member may be aware, the whole plant will go into production at the end of four years from the date of selection of the site for the plant. I cannot give a definite date now for the actual erection of the plant, but it is expected construction will commence in the later part of next year after the detailed project report is received, tenders are called for, suitable tenders are accepted etc., etc.

**Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:** May I know if there is any revision in the original estimate for construction?

**Shri K. C. Reddy:** The original estimate was only a rough one. The detailed estimate is yet to come and the final cost will depend on the tender accepted.

**Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:** May I know, in view of this statement of the hon. Minister, that there is preliminary, then second and then final estimation of cost, whether there is any estimate upto what percentage—as it happened in Chittaranjan and Sindri—the cost is likely to go up?

\*Statement laid on the table of the House, vide Part II of Debates, dated 30-9-54.