

cus. There have been some Tibetans coming to India in small numbers from time to time but I have not been informed of any great increase in their number.

**Shri Meghnad Saha:** Is the Government aware that in the recent Chinese maps Bhutan is shown as part of China?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** I have not seen those particular maps. In the old Chinese map I know certain parts of Indian Union territory were shown. And when this matter was brought to the notice of the Chinese Government, they said that they attached no importance to those old maps because they had no time to print the maps afresh.

**Shri Meghnad Saha:** I am speaking of maps which are quite recent.

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** The hon. Member can perhaps send me the maps he has and I will look into the matter.

**Shri K. Subrahmanyam:** I want to know whether Government has any information to the effect that some Chinese are coming into India as Tibetan refugees?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** Chinese come to India as Chinese without putting a guise. There is no difficulty about any individual coming to India in the ordinary course.

#### EXPORT OF BONE MEAL

\*456. **Shri P. N. Rajabhoj:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether India is still exporting bone meal to foreign countries?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):** No, Sir.

**Shri P. N. Rajabhoj:** May I know if any discrimination is still practised in giving protection to bone meal factories in various States?

**Shri T. T. Krishnamachari:** I do not think, to the extent of my information, that there is any particular protection to bone meal. Actually what we are doing is, we are prohibiting bone meal from being exported. We have naturally no bone meal as such coming in excepting in forms of mixtures and other types of fertilizers. So I am not aware of the position that the hon. Member envisages.

#### BIHAR JUTE

\*457. **Shri L. N. Mishra:** (a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether it is a fact that prices of Bihar jute have come down to an abnormal low level in the jute market of Calcutta?

(b) Are Government aware of the fact that the prices that are offered for Bihar jute in Calcutta are hardly sufficient to meet even the agriculturist's cost of production?

(c) Are Government aware that foreign jute receive more attractive prices and greater attention than Bihar or even West Bengal jute in Calcutta jute market, with the result that a huge quantity of Bihar jute is glutted in Calcutta market for want of purchasers?

(d) What steps do Government propose to take to restore the prices for Bihar jute in particular and Indian jute in general?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):** (a) The fall in the prices of Bihar jute in the Calcutta market has been about the same as in other varieties of jute.

(b) The majority of jute growers sold their crop by February and received good prices. It is not possible to say whether Bihar jute growers took advantage of February prices or not.

(c) Some varieties of Pakistan jute are of better quality than Indian jute and have always commanded better prices. At the moment, however, mills are not buying Pakistan jute because of high prices. Stocks of raw jute in the Calcutta market are not regarded as very abnormal. Of late, the offtake by mills has shown signs of increase.

(d) Government will carefully watch the situation.

**Shri L. N. Mishra:** Is it a fact that due to fall in prices the cultivators of Bihar have reduced cultivation of jute?

**Shri T. T. Krishnamachari:** I would like to have notice.

**Shri L. N. Mishra:** Do the Government propose to fix a minimum price for jute?

**Shri T. T. Krishnamachari:** The Government do not contemplate anything of the kind now.

**Shri Meghnad Saha:** Is the Government aware that smuggling of East

Bengal jute takes place on a very wide scale across the borders of West Bengal and East Pakistan?

**Shri T. T. Krishnamachari:** I shall take that information from the hon. Member.

#### KOSI DAM PROJECT

\*458. **Shri L. N. Mishra:** Will the Minister of Planning and River Valley Schemes be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kosi Dam Project has been included in the Five Year National Plan (now converted to six year plan) for execution; and

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, the steps that Government propose to take in the matter and the results that Government expect to achieve by its materialisation as envisaged in the National Plan?

**The Minister of Planning and River Valley Schemes (Shri Nanda):** (a) The scheme has not been included in the First Part of the Five Year Plan. It is however being considered for inclusion in the second part.

(b) Does not arise.

**Shri L. N. Mishra:** Is it a fact that the Advisory Committee have suggested the construction of the Belka dam scheme?

**Shri Nanda:** Yes.

**Shri L. N. Mishra:** Do the Government propose to accept that recommendation?

**Shri Nanda:** The recommendation is under consideration.

**Shri Radhelal Vyas:** May I know whether the other river valley schemes which are cheaper in cost and more remunerative than the Kosi project will be given priority over the Kosi project?

**Shri Nanda:** The merits of the various schemes are under examination.

**Shri B. R. Bhagat:** Have the revised estimates for the Kosi project been accepted by the Commission?

**Shri Nanda:** The revised estimate submitted by the Advisory Committee has been considered by the Planning Commission and certain further investigations are in progress.

#### NEWSPRINT

\*459. **Shri P. N. Rajabhoj:** (a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the United States have completely stopped allocating newsprint to our country?

(b) If so, what alternative arrangement has been made to have enough of newsprint?

**The Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri Karmarkar):** (a) No allocation of newsprint is made by the United States to India.

(b) Does not arise.

**सेठ गोविन्द दास:** क्या यह बात सही नहीं है कि हिन्दुस्तान में भी न्यूज प्रिंट बनाने के लिये एक मिल बन रही है और उस मिल को केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा सहायता पहुंचाने का विचार किया जा रहा था ? इस सम्बन्ध में क्या हुआ ?

[**Seth Govind Das:** Is it not a fact that a newsprint mill is being opened in India as well and the Central Government contemplate giving assistance to this mill? How far has this matter gone?]

**श्री करमरकर:** इस में से यह प्रश्न नहीं निकलता । अगर वह निकलता हो तो.....

[**Shri Karmarkar:** This question does not arise. If it would arise.....]

**श्री गोविन्द दास:** जी नहीं, इस में से यह प्रश्न निकलता है । पार्ट "बी" से यह निकलता है ।

[**Seth Govind Das:** No, Sir, it does arise. It arises from part (b) of the question.]

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, order. Let there be no argument. It is not a question of argument between the hon. Minister and the hon. Member. The matter is left to the Chair.

**Seth Govind Das:** सभापति जी, मैं यही कह रहा था । (I was submitting this very