

member the names of military officers who are sent anywhere.

Shri Nambiar: Is it the concern of the Government of India to organise the army of Nepal, which is quite a different country?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: The mission has been sent at the request of an independent country—Nepal.

PROPOSALS OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL MISSION

*191. **Shri B. K. Das:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken on the proposals offered by the Japanese Industrial Mission which visited India in March, 1952; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposals mutually agreed upon?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) and (b). The discussions with the Japanese Industrial Mission covered many subjects but they have not so far made any definite proposal to Government.

Shri B. K. Das: May I ask, Sir, whether the negotiations are still being carried on?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: The hon. Member is perhaps aware from newspaper reports that an industrial mission arrived in India on the 12th March 1952 and remained in this country for over a month. During their stay here they discussed several projects and proposals with the Government of India and also with other interests which participated in these discussions. Government have so far not heard anything further. There are probably a few matters on which correspondence is still going on either directly or through our Ambassador in Tokyo, but there is nothing definite.

Shri B. K. Das: Do I take it that there is no formal proposal from India or from Japan and only preliminary talks have gone through?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: That is a fair estimate of the position, Sir.

Pandit Munishwar Datt Upadhyay: May I know, Sir, whether the Japanese have proposed to invest certain amount of capital in India?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: Sir, it is a very difficult question to answer. In regard to certain industries negotiations are going on and naturally if Japanese machinery is to be imported in respect of the establishment of these

industries, the Government of India would require some guarantee that satisfactory results would be obtained from them and it might be in our interest to ask for participation by Japanese interests in those industries. As I said, there is nothing very definite about all these proposals.

Shri Velayudhan: May I know, Sir, whether the Japanese Industrial Mission suggested the starting of certain industries in India and if so what was the attitude of the Government of India to that suggestion?

Mr. Speaker: Attitude? That is rather a vague question.

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: The question is very vague and I think it is not within my capacity to attempt an equally vague answer.

Shri Dhulekar: May I know whether these discussions will be affected by the new agreement recently made with the Japanese Government and whether any mission will be sent by the new Government there?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: Sir, it is all a question of hypothesis. As I said, unless we have some definite proposals and we examine the implications of those proposals in regard to the agreements that we have made it is very difficult for me to answer a question of this nature.

HINDUS IN EAST BENGAL

*192. **Shri B. K. Das:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the speech made by Shri B. K. Dutta in the Pakistan Constituent Assembly during the discussion of the Finance Bill regarding the condition of Hindus in East Bengal;

(b) whether Government has tried to ascertain from the Government of East Bengal if the circulars referred to in the above-mentioned speech were issued by them;

(c) if so, whether it has been brought to the notice of the Government of Pakistan that these circulars are a flagrant breach of the Delhi Agreement of 1950; and

(d) what action has been taken in that behalf?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) Yes

(b) to (d). Shri B. K. Dutta referred in his speech to three circulars of the East Pakistan Government: