

**Shri K. C. Reddy:** I can give the information if the hon Member wants. The total production will be about 7,50,000 mega units per month, but to begin with 4 lakhs mega units per month.

**Shri L. N. Mishra:** May I know whether this concern is a public managed or a private managed one?

**Shri K. C. Reddy:** It is now being looked after departmentally. The idea is to convert it into a private limited company later on.

**Shri L. N. Mishra:** May I know whether any foreign aid has been secured for it, if so, the nature of the aid and the country from which the aid has been secured?

**Shri K. C. Reddy:** This will be built up in collaboration with the UNICEF and W.H.O. They have no financial interest in this project but the U.N.I.C.E.F. will provide us with the necessary machinery which will cost about 8,50,000 dollars. The W.H.O. will give us help by way of providing technical personnel which is expected to cost about 3,50,000 dollars.

**Shri B. S. Murthy:** May I know what is the necessity for the change of the factory site from the place which was originally intended?

**Shri K. C. Reddy:** I do not know exactly what the position is about this. Sir, but I believe that this factory was intended to be located in the Bombay State and now it is located at Pimpri near Poona.

**Shri G. P. Sinha:** What is the present arrangement for import of penicillin? Has the distribution been handed over to one British firm?

**Shri K. C. Reddy:** That does not arise out of this.

#### विस्थापित व्यापारियों को ऋण

\* ११४१. श्री बाल्मीकि : (क) क्या पुनर्वास मंत्री छोटे-मोटे विस्थापित व्यापारियों को १९५१-५२ में अग्रिम बिधे गये ऋणों की राशि बतलान की कृपा करेंगे?

(ख) ऐसे कितने व्यापारियों को ऋण मिले हैं ?

(ग) कितने समय में और कितनी राशि की किश्तों में यह राशि लौटायी जाने वाली है ?

**The Deputy Minister of Rehabilitation (Shri J. K. Bhoosle):** (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House in due course.

श्री बाल्मीकि : आवाज सुनार् नहीं दी ।

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Information will be placed on the Table of the House.

#### SAFETY MATCHES

\*1142. **Shri Nanadas:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state.

(a) the total quantity of safety matches annually produced in India;

(b) the number, names and location of factories producing safety matches, along with the quantity produced by each;

(c) the present method of distribution of safety matches; and

(d) whether Government is planning to introduce a zonal system of distribution of safety matches, as is the practice in the case of cement?

**The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):**

(a) About 540,000 cases of 50 gross boxes of 60 sticks each. ●

(b) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the reply given on the 21st July, 1952 to parts (a) and (b) of Starred Question No. 1909 asked by Shri Ganpati Ram. It is not considered desirable to divulge information regarding production by each unit.

(c) Each match factory arranges distribution of its own products.

(d) No, Sir.

**Shri Nanadas:** May I know the approximate amount of foreign capital invested in the match industry and the percentage of match industry controlled by WIMCO?

**Shri T. T. Krishnamachari:** WIMCO in regard to the four factories which it controls has a capital of about 50 per cent, which comes to about Rs. 1,10,00,000.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** The answer is not clear. He asked the share of foreign capital in match industry in India. The answer is that some subsidiary firm has 50 per cent.

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** WIMCO was specially referred to by the hon. Member