

Shri Tushar Chatterjee : In view of the fact that fluctuation in stocks is a very normal feature in the jute industry, is it not desirable that Government adopts the principle that at least such drastic steps as the sealing of looms are not allowed to be taken ?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari : I am not prepared to agree to the very facile presumption that the accumulation of stocks is of a normal character. I think the accumulation in this case has exceeded the normal limits.

N. E. S. Block Advisory Committees

*23. **Shri Bheekha Bhal :** Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the meetings of Block Advisory Committees of N.E.S. Blocks are held in different villages in Rajasthan;

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative whether any facility for transport is being provided to members for reaching places of meetings; and

(c) whether any T. A. or D. A. is paid to those non-official members who are neither M. L. As. nor M. Ps. ?

The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra) : (a) Meetings of the Block Advisory Committees of N.E.S. Blocks are occasionally held in the villages other than the block headquarters.

(b) Facilities for transport, wherever possible, are provided to the members for attending meetings of the Advisory Committees.

(c) No. T. A. or D. A. is paid to the non-official members from the block budgets. Representatives of the Panchayats are entitled to their actual expenses from the Panchayat funds.

Shri Bheekha Bhal : Is it a fact that the meetings are held in out of the way places and that arrangements are not made by the Blocks for carrying the members to the place of meeting?

Shri S. N. Mishra : We have got this information, namely, that transport is provided to the members for attending the meetings in the villages. As regards the enquiry whether these meetings are held in out of the way places, I have no information at the moment.

Shri Bheekha Bhal : Arising out of the reply to part (c) of the question, may I know whether Government have made any enquiries as to the extent of T. A. and D. A. given from panchayat funds ?

Shri S. N. Mishra : The Government of Rajasthan has told us that representatives of Panchayats are entitled to their actual expenses from Panchayat funds.

Shri Thimmamiah : May I know whether the members are also provided with

transport facilities for inspecting the work in the different parts of the N.E.S. Blocks?

Shri S. N. Mishra : I think that is the happy experience of hon. Members so far as I have been able to know from them.

डा० राम सुभाग सिंह : मंत्री महोदय ने अभी कहा है कि नान-आफिशियल मेम्बरों को कोई टी० ए० या डी० ए० नहीं दिया जाता है। क्या मैं यह जान सकता हूँ कि जो आफिसरों एन० ई० एस० की मीटिंग्स को प्रेंटेंड करने जाते हैं, उनको टी० ए० और डी० ए० दिया जाता है या नहीं और यदि दिया जाता है, तो क्यों ?

श्री श्या० नं० मिश्र : इस विषय में कायदे बने हुये हैं, जिनके मुताबिक आफिसरों को टी० ए० और डी० ए० मिलते हैं। लेकिन हम ने अपनी तरफ से राज्य सरकारों को परामर्श दिया है कि जहां तक हो सके, उन्हें नान-आफिशियल मेम्बरों को रीजनेबल घाउट-आफ़-पाकेट एलाउंस देना चाहिये और कुछ राज्य सरकारों ने ऐसा प्रबन्ध किया भी है, लेकिन सभी राज्य सरकारों ने ऐसा प्रबन्ध नहीं किया है।

डा० राम सुभाग सिंह : सन् १९५२ से कम्युनिटी प्रोजेक्ट खुली हुई है और एन० ई० एस० ब्लाक भी करीब डेढ़ वर्ष से खुले हुए हैं। अब तक प्लानिंग बिनिस्ट्री ने इस तरह की हरकत क्यों होने दी कि बड़े-बड़े आफिसरों को टी० ए० और डी० ए० दिया जाता है लेकिन अगर कोई छोटा किसान इन मीटिंग्स को प्रेंटेंड करने चाहे तो उसको नहीं दिया जाता। क्या प्रथम पंच वर्षीय योजना की सफलता की यही निशानी है ?

श्री श्या० नं० मिश्र : जो बातें अभी माननीय सदस्य ने कही हैं उन्हीं पर पंच वर्षीय योजना की सफलता मूल्हासिर करती है ऐसा तो मैं नहीं समझता। लेकिन पहले हमको इसकी पूरी जानकारी नहीं

पी कि इस से लोगों को कठिनाइयां हो रही हैं। जब हमको यह जानकारी मिली तो हमने इस विषय में राज्य सरकारों को परामर्श दिया और कुछ राज्य सरकारों ने हमारे परामर्श के अनुसार कार्य भी किया। मुमकिन है कि बहुत से कार्यकर्ता जो घाते हैं वे डी० ए० और टी० ए० तब भी नहीं करते हों क्योंकि कि वे सेवा भावना से प्रेरित होते हैं। माननीय सदस्य को यह बात भी ध्यान में रखनी चाहिये।

डा० राम सुभग सिंह : भ्रमो मंत्री महोदय ने कहा कि मुमकिन है कि वे सेवा भावना से प्रेरित हो कर जाते होंगे। तो क्या कारण है कि प्लानिंग मिनिस्टर ने उन सेवा भावना से प्रेरित होने वाले किसान को इन कमेटियों का बेयरमैन या वाइस बेयरमैन नहीं बनाया। मंत्री महोदय ने यह भी कहा कि हम लोगों को इस बात का पूरा पूरा पता न था। क्यों वह इस बात का पूरा पूरा पता क्यों नहीं लगाते। मेरी जानकारी है कि यह प्रश्न यहां भी रखा गया था।

श्री श्या० नं० बिषय : जहां तक हमारी जानकारी का जारिया है, उसमें माननीय सदस्य भी जाते हैं, और जब माननीय सदस्यों ने इस और हमारा ध्यान आकृष्ट किया तो हमारा ध्यान इस ओर गया। इस विषय में यहां एक प्रस्ताव आया था उस पर बहस भी हुई थी। हमने बतलाया कि हमने राज्य सरकारों का ध्यान इस ओर दिलाया है। लेकिन जहां तक बेयरमैन आदि बनाने का सवाल है, यह एक घलम प्रश्न है, और इस पर इस सभा में काफी विचार हो चुका है।

Shri Sivamurthi Swami : May I know whether any detailed report has been received from the organisers of the Village and Cottage Industries of Wardha, especially, J. C. Kumarappa, by the Planning Commission in order to reorientate the policy of the Government in the matter of constituting the advisory boards for N.E.S. and Community

Project Areas and whether any action has been taken on the report?

Shri S. N. Mishra : I do not quite see how it arises out of this question.

Mr. Speaker : This question relates to the holding of meetings in out of the way places and also to T. A. and D. A. of members but not with the policy.

Engineering Personnel Committee

*24. Shri Bahadur Singh : Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Engineering Personnel Committee appointed by the Planning Commission has suggested opening of 15 new engineering colleges and 62 schools imparting training in civil, mechanical and electrical engineering in the country;

(b) the number of such colleges and schools that are going to be opened in the Punjab;

(c) whether the Engineering Personnel Committee recommended some sort of special financial assistance to the engineering colleges and technical schools already in existence in various States in view of the shortage of Engineering Personnel, which is likely to exist in spite of training facilities provided in the Second Plan, and

(d) whether some special financial assistance has been recommended by this Committee for the Engineering Colleges and Technical Schools in the Punjab other than the Government Technical Schools and Engineering Colleges?

The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra) : (a) The Committee has suggested the opening of 18 colleges and 62 schools.

(b) For the Northern Region comprising the Punjab, the Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jammu & Kashmir, PEPSU, Delhi, Ajmer-Merwara and Himachal Pradesh, the Committee has recommended the establishment of 4 colleges and 17 schools. The Committee has not indicated the number of institutions to be started in the Punjab State.

(c) It is not clear what the honourable member means by "special financial assistance" in this context. Presumably he means the financial assistance for expanding the capacity of existing institutions. Though the Committee has recommended that capacity in the existing institutions should be expanded fully, separate financial assistance for it has not yet been indicated. The total cost of expansion of capacity in existing institutions plus the cost of setting up 18 colleges and 62 schools has been estimated to be in the neighbourhood of Rs. 16 crores.

(d) Does not arise.