

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: As early as 1951, the Government decided to make this Osmania University a Central University with Hindi as the principal medium of instruction. We are working at this proposal and will certainly consult the Andhra Government before taking up a final decision in the matter.

Shri B. S. Murthy: Is it not a fact that the Andhra Government refused to hand over this institution to the Centre but wanted more money to have a plan of teaching in Hindi at Hyderabad?

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: As long as the matter is under negotiation by the Government of India, there cannot be any final refusal from any State.

Short Notice Question and Answer

Steel Plants

S.N.Q. No. 1. Shri Kamath: Will the Minister of Iron and Steel be pleased to refer to the answers given to supplementaries raised on Starred Question No. 36 on the 21st March, 1957 and state:

(a) the proportion of the foreign element or component to the Indians among the technical and other staff employed at Bhilai, Rourkela and Durgapur; and

(b) the number of either in each of the three projects:

The Minister of Finance and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) and (b). There are at present 50 Soviet nationals and 1144 Indians employed in Bhilai, 1 Yugoslav and 1247 Indians in Rourkela and 309 Indians in Durgapur. Besides these, there are 27 representatives of the Ministry of Iron and Steel, USSR, three representatives of the British Consulting Engineers and 13 representatives of the German Consultants in India.

Shri Kamath: Has the proportion or the number of foreign technicians remained the same or constant since the projects were started or since work commenced on this project? Or, has it tended to increase or decrease during the last few months or years?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: It is very difficult to be precise on this information but I can give the hon. Member this information that the number of foreigners in these three plants would progressively increase until these plants go into production.

Shri Kamath: Is it a part of the agreement with the various foreign Governments that their technicians and engineers will, in due course of time, train up Indians for the jobs on which the foreigners are engaged at present so that the foreign element or component will decrease?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: It is a correct assumption, Sir.

Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha: May I know whether it is a fact that certain hands employed, more in Rourkela and perhaps in Bhilai also, are lying idle? If that is so, may I know the number of persons who are lying idle?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: What is it that is lying idle?

Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha: The hands.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. Member means that some of the employees are idle.

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: I am not in a position to say that. I have not made a physical inspection of those employed in these plants, but I think, I can take the reports that I get from my General Managers as being correct. I do not think that anybody is idle; on the other hand, they are all very busy.

Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha rose—

Mr. Speaker: I have allowed enough.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Settlers in Devikulom Taluk of Kerala

*80. **Shri A. K. Gopalan:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) how many settlers in Devikulom taluk of Kerala State have been

evicted from their lands in recent months;

(b) how many settlers enclosures have been acquired for the purposes of Community Projects; and

(c) whether alternate land sites have been provided for the settlers?

The Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) No settlers have been evicted from their lands in recent months.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Tribal Welfare Officers

*83. **Shri Deogam:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to lay a statement on the Table showing:

(a) the number of Tribal Welfare Officers belonging to Tribal Communities State-wise at present;

(b) the pay scales of such officers;

(c) whether they have undergone any special training for Tribal Welfare work; and

(d) whether they are well conversant with the tribal languages of the locality in which they are posted?

The Minister in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Shri Datar): (a) to (d). The information has been called for from the State Governments and will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha as soon as it is received.

Indian Air Lines Corporation (Headquarters)

26. **Shri Kamath:** Will the Minister of Civil Aviation be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to locate the Indian Airlines Corporation Headquarters at Nagpur; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Legal Affairs and Civil Aviation (Shri Pataskar): (a) and (b). There is no proposal to locate the headquarters of the Indian Airlines Corporation at Nagpur. The headquarters of the Corporation

should be located at one of the important operational centres and Nagpur is not such a centre. The question of location of Headquarters is however being reviewed on the basis of the 43rd report of the Estimates Committee which deals with the Indian Airlines Corporation.

Currency Paper Mill

27. **Shri Kamath:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal to set up a currency paper mill has been further considered; and

(b) if so, with what result?

The Minister of Finance and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) and (b). Government have decided in principle to set up a Currency Paper Mill. The detailed scheme is being worked out.

Jet Bombers

28. **Shri Krishnacharya Joshi:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have placed an order with the United Kingdom to purchase Jet Bombers; and

(b) if so, whether they have been supplied?

The Minister of Defence Organisation (Shri Tyagi): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) They are in the process of supply.

State Bank of Hyderabad

29. **Shri Krishnacharya Joshi:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to merge the State Bank of Hyderabad into the State Bank of India; and

(b) if so, when?

The Minister of Finance and Iron and Steel (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) and (b). Reference is invited to