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Monday, February 23, 1958/Phalgun  
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The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the  
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[Mr. SPEAKER in the Chair]

### ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

#### Rehabilitation Colonies in Delhi

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\*519. { Shri Ram Krishna,  
Shri Rajendra Singh;  
Shri Rameshwar Tanti:

Will the Minister of Rehabilitation  
and Minority Affairs be pleased to  
state

(a) whether Government is con-  
sidering the question of handing over to  
the Delhi Municipal Corporation all  
displaced persons colonies in Delhi  
under the control of the Ministry of  
Rehabilitation together with financial  
grants for providing necessary civic  
amenities,

(b) whether the Corporation has  
submitted a proper estimate of the  
amount of money that would be  
required, and

(c) by what time the colonies would  
be handed over to the Corporation?

The Deputy Minister of Rehabilita-  
tion (Shri P. S. Naskar): (a) Yes. It  
is proposed to transfer the civic ser-  
vices only in those colonies which come  
within the jurisdiction of the Delhi  
Municipal Corporation

(b) Yes

(c) As soon as the amount to be  
paid to the Delhi Municipal Corpora-  
tion is settled by mutual agreement.

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Shri Ram Krishna: May I know the  
total financial requirements which the  
Delhi Municipal Corporation has  
demanded?

Shri P. S. Naskar: The Delhi Muni-  
cipal Corporation gave an estimate  
amounting to Rs 23 lakhs, but after  
the engineers of the Corporation and  
our technical advisers went into the  
details they have found out that only  
Rs 19 lakhs need be given to the  
Corporation. They have excluded cer-  
tain items in the original estimate  
which have already been paid to local  
bodies

Shri Vajpayee: May I know if it is  
a fact that out of Rs 80 lakhs sanc-  
tioned for the refugee colonies in Delhi  
only Rs 30 lakhs have been spent so  
far, if so, may I know how the rest is  
going to be spent, whether it will be  
through the Corporation or through  
the Central P W D?

The Minister of Rehabilitation and  
Minority Affairs (Shri Mehr Chand  
Khanna): We have spent crores of  
rupees on the Delhi colonies

Shri Vajpayee: I am referring to the  
civic amenities

Shri Mehr Chand Khanna: Civic  
amenities form part of the develop-  
ment. We have spent anything bet-  
ween Rs 20 crores to Rs 25 crores  
on construction and development of  
these colonies

Shri Vajpayee: My question does not  
relate to construction of colonies

Mr. Speaker: The hon Member evi-  
dently refers to a separate fund of  
Rs 80 lakhs out of which only a few  
lakhs have been spent, and he wants  
to know what will happen to the  
balance. The hon. Minister does not  
admit it. He says that they have been  
spending crores of rupees. Is there a  
separate fund of Rs 80 lakhs earmark-  
ed for something?

**Shri Mehr Chand Khanna:** No, Sir. There are three factors combined in the development of a colony: one is land, the other is the provision of civic amenities including development and the third is super-structure. Now, we started this construction 8 to 9 years ago, and it has gone on. The specific point before us today is this, that there are certain colonies which are still under our jurisdiction. We tried to pass them on to the Municipal Committee, in the first instance, and then to the Municipal Corporation. There is the question of certain sub-standard specifications in certain colonies. We received the estimate. It might surprise you, Sir, to learn that firstly, about a few months ago, the estimate was for Rs. 15 lakhs. Then the figure suddenly went up to Rs. 33 lakhs. When the Commissioner and Mayor came to see me in this connection, they expressed surprise and said that this figure of Rs. 33 lakhs has been sent to the Ministry over the head of the Commissioner himself and he had no knowledge of it. Therefore, we again went into the whole question and the figure came down to Rs. 23 lakhs, and the final figure now is Rs. 19 lakhs. This matter was discussed only a few weeks ago, and we are tying up all the loose ends

**Shri B. K. Gaikwad:** After the administration of the refugee camps is handed over to the Corporation, may I know whether the Corporation is going to provide the same facilities which were being provided by the Government?

**Shri Mehr Chand Khanna:** These colonies were built, these colonies have been developed and they have been brought up to a certain level. This is the proper level. In certain cases we have not been able to complete those development projects, and it is in connection with those that the question arises

**Mr. Speaker:** Question No. 520—Shri Subodh Hansda. I do not find him in his seat—Shri Samanta.

**Shri S. C. Samanta:** Question No. 520.

**Shri V. P. Nayar:** Sir, I would request you to take up question No. 547 also along with this question, because that deals with Hindustan Antibiotics (Private) Ltd.

**Mr. Speaker:** All right; Question 520 and Question 547 may be taken up and answered together.

#### Manufacture of Drugs

\*520. { **Shri S. C. Samanta:**  
**Shri Subodh Hansda:**  
**Shri R. C. Majhi:**

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1219 on the 19th December, 1958 and state:

(a) the nature of drugs to be manufactured by M/s. Merck Sharp Dohme (India) Limited;

(b) whether the construction work on the proposed project has since been started; and

(c) when it is expected to start manufacturing drugs and pharmaceuticals?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House

#### STATEMENT

(a) to (c). M/s. Merck Sharp Dohme (India) Limited have been granted a licence to establish a plant with an annual capacity of 120 Kgs. of Cortisone and other hormones, 4 Kgs. of Vitamin B12, 3.5 tons of Phthalyl Sulphathiazole, 3.5 tons of Succinyl Sulphathiazole, 3 tons of Chlorothiazide and some formulations.

They propose to start manufacture in a temporary premises at Bombay this year and later shift to their permanent location which they are trying to select between Bombay and Poona.