

**Shri Hathi:** That is an altogether different question. That does not arise from this, but that will be taken into consideration.

**Shri Jhunjunwala:** Was such a survey ever made before? If not, what is the reason for having this present survey?

**Shri Hathi:** Such a detailed or technical survey was not made before. Of course, some attempts were made in 1935. The U. P. Government made some survey, and also the Bombay Government, but such a technical detailed survey was not taken up.

**Shri Jhunjunwala:** What was the result of that survey?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** The Provincial surveys?

**Shri K. K. Basu:** May I know when the results of the sample survey are expected?

**Shri Hathi:** The survey of the 18 towns will be over within a couple of months. The survey about Calcutta may be finalised by February, 1954, and Delhi in about two, three months.

**Prof. S. N. Mishra:** May I know whether the Planning Commission maintains any machinery or has any device of keeping track of the employment opportunities that are being created because of the operation of the Plan?

**Shri Hathi:** The Planning Commission has written to the various State Governments and they are collecting the data as to what number of persons will be employed in the various development projects.

**Pandit Thakur Das Bhargava:** May I know the names of these 18 towns?

**Shri Hathi:** The 18 towns are selected at random. Their names are: Amritsar, Rampur, Kanpur, Banaras, Gaya, Kakinada, Tiruchirapalli, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Ajmer, Ujjain, Sambal, Bundi, Kothagudem, Nanded, Gadag, Palghat, Nadiad.

#### DOCUMENTARY FILMS IN ORISSA

\*945. **Shri Sanganna:** (a) Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state whether Government are aware that important social, political, historical and economic events of Orissa do not find place in the films under the series "Indian News Review" and "Documentary Films of India" released so far by the Films Division of the Government of India?

(b) Is it a fact that Hirakud River Valley Project has been recorded by the Films Division, as one being worked in the Madhya Pradesh?

(c) If so, what steps have been taken by Government to set right this defect?

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar):** (a) No, Sir. Social, political, historical and economic events in Orissa are included according to their importance and the availability of space in the Indian News Review and documentary films released by the Films Division.

(b) and (c). In the commentary of the documentary film *Rivers in Harness* the Hirakud Dam Project was erroneously mentioned as being worked in Madhya Pradesh, obviously a printer's devil. Steps have been taken to make the necessary corrections.

**Shri Sanganna:** May I know whether the river Mahanadi has not been recorded in the films on our river valley projects?

**Shri Karmarkar:** Rivers are not recorded as such, but any particular event is recorded.

**The Prime Minister (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** Hirakud is part of the Mahanadi project.

**Shri Karmarkar:** I am sorry. I understand my friend asks about the Hirakud project. My information is that the Hirakud project is being filmed again for demonstration.

**Shri B. C. Das:** Who edit these documentary films, and have they knowledge of all the parts of India?

**Shri Karmarkar:** The official Editor: Yes, Sir.

**Shri B. C. Das:** May I know whether suggestion is invited from the State Governments before these documentary films are prepared?

**Shri Karmarkar:** Yes, Sir. This work is done in co-operation with the States.

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Next Question.

**Shri Raghavaiah rose—**

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** The hon. Member is a little late.

**Shri Raghavaiah:** Yes, Sir.

Will the Government produce documentaries relating to the Bakhra-Nangal and D. V. C. projects?

**Shri Karmarkar:** I have no information about that, but I should presume so.

#### CENTRAL SILK BOARD

\*947. **Shri Shivnanjappa:** (a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state as to how many times the Central Silk Board has met this year? -

(b) What is the nature of the business transacted?

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar):** (a) The Board met last in September, 1952, and its Standing Committee held meetings in February, 1953, and July, 1953.

(b) A number of schemes for the development of the sericulture industry were examined and grants for such schemes sanctioned.

**Shri Shivnanjappa:** May I know the specific reasons for not convening this meeting since the Board was re-constituted in December?

**Shri Karmarkar:** The Board normally meets once a year, and the Standing Committee meets oftener, whenever it is necessary.

**Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy:** When will be the next meeting of the Board?

**Shri Karmarkar:** After the new Board is constituted, I think.

**Shri M. S. Gurupadaswamy:** What were the subjects discussed by the Standing Committee which met recently in Bombay?

**Shri Karmarkar:** I could mention a few schemes. It is a long list. The Standing Committee which met in February and July this year considered the following which are under implementation by the Central Silk Board:

- (i) consideration and examination of various steps for increasing production of raw silk in India;
- (ii) assistance to the spun silk industry;
- (iii) consideration of the question of improving the present methods of marketing of silk;
- (iv) grading of silk waste; and
- (v) collection of statistical information relating to the production of pure silk fabrics from.....

Shall I read the whole thing?

**Mr. Deputy-Speaker:** Is no communique issued regarding this matter as soon as decisions are taken?

**Shri Karmarkar:** Normally, a press note is issued.

**Shri Raghavaiah:** Since the constitution of the Silk Board, may I know how many times the Standing Committee met, and what are the important subjects discussed at these meetings?

**Shri Karmarkar:** I should like to have notice about that. Normally, the Standing Committee meets twice a year, if I can trust my memory. Regarding the subjects discussed, I should like to have notice.

**Kumari Annie Mascarene:** May I know whether, after the constitution of this Board, the marketing of silk has improved?