

Shri P. K. Deo: May I know if the staff of the Indian Bureau of Mines made a representation to the Government of India not to shift them to Nagpur?

Shri K. C. Reddy: Yes, Sir, there was a petition, and the representations made in that petition have been given careful consideration.

Shri P. K. Deo: What has been decided on that?

Shri K. C. Reddy: The result is that the office is being shifted.

Shrimati Renu Chakravartty: From the answer to part (c) of the question regarding the construction of residential quarters for the low-income staff of these offices, it is seen that nothing substantial has been done. Is it a fact that the staff have been asked to make their own arrangements and, if so, may I know whether they will get any house rent allowance?

Shri K. C. Reddy: The statement laid on the Table gives detailed information as to what special concessions we are going to give, or rather that we have decided to give and have given to those that have been shifted. These are enumerated here. In addition to these, those that are actually shifted will be given further concession by way of reduced water and electricity charges while they are occupying transit accommodation.

Export of Monkeys

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- *2. { **Shri Shree Narayan Das:**
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Assar:
Shri Daljit Singh:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the U.K. and the U.S.A. Governments have made representations to the Government of India to modify the recently imposed ban on the export of monkeys weighing less than 6 lbs.;

(b) if so, the nature of representations made; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Nityanand Kanungo): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It was stated that monkeys weighing 4 to 6 lbs. were preferred for the production of polio vaccine.

(c) After careful consideration, it was decided to permit the export of monkeys weighing 4 lbs. and above. Monkeys weighing less than 4 lbs. continue to be banned.

Shri Shree Narayan Das: In considering this question, may I know whether the requests made by several organisations to put a complete ban on the export were considered?

Shri Kanungo: Yes, they have been considered.

Shri Shree Narayan Das: To what effect?

Shri Kanungo: That in the larger interests of humanity it is necessary to make available the monkeys.

Shri V. P. Nayar: May I know whether before the ban was lifted, Government took any opinion from medical experts as to the feasibility of conducting research on monkeys of four to six lbs.?

Shri Kanungo: Yes, Sir.

श्री आसार : ये जो बन्दर भेजे जा रहे हैं, क्या यह ग्रहिमा की मोति के योग्य है या नहीं ?

प्रधान मंत्री तथा वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्री (श्री जवाहरलाल नेहरू) : जी नहीं, यह तो नीयत पर हाता है। एक सर्जो हिमा करता है, लेकिन वह हिमा नहीं मानी जाती।

Shri Liladhar Kotaki: In exporting monkeys to U.S.A. in large numbers have Government enquired as to the purpose for which they have been used in U.S.A. and as to whether such use cannot be made in our country?

Shri Kanungo: It has been stated in the answer that the monkeys are used for the production of polio vaccines.

Shri Liladhar Koteki: Could it not be done in our country?

Mr. Speaker: There are more monkeys than necessary.

Optical Glass Plant

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- *3. { **Shri Ram Krishan:**
Shri Subodh Hansda:
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Sardar Iqbal Singh:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:
Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri Sanganna:
Shri Ghosal:
Shrimati Renuka Ray:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1429 on the 3rd April, 1958 and state:

(a) whether the detailed project report regarding the establishment of an Optical Glass Plant has since been received from the Russian experts;

(b) if so, the main features thereof; and

(c) the decision taken by Government thereon?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) No, Sir. Not yet.

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

Shri Ram Krishan: May I know by what time the report is expected?

Shri Manubhai Shah: The report is expected within eight to nine months.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: May I know whether Government considered in this connection the expansion of the ordnance factories, particularly the the Ordnance Factory at Dehra Dun?

Shri Manubhai Shah: It was one of the sites considered.

On all these questions the matter is under consideration.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: Particularly the Optical Factory there....

Shri Manubhai Shah: There is no Optical Factory.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: Have Government considered the question of expansion of that particular Optical Factory?

Shri Manubhai Shah: Last session I had an occasion to state that what is produced in the Ordnance Factories is small crystal glass and other glasses and in small quantities. This is special optical and ophthalmic glass for which a new factory has to be established.

Shrimati Renuka Ray: Is it a fact that the experts had suggested a site in West Bengal and that matter has been deferred?

Shri Manubhai Shah: As I already stated, the matter is under consideration, and as soon as a decision is made we shall inform the House of the decision.

श्री बिभूति मिश्र : मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या बिहार में भी कोई 'माइट' चुनी गई है।

श्री मनुभाई शाह : जहाँ तक 'माइट्स' का ताल्लुक है, जो 'माइट्स' रशियन टीम ने प्राइमरी डेटा के आधार पर देखी थी, वे ये हैं : इलाहाबाद, आसनसोल, बड़ीदा, बनारस, बम्बई, देहरादून, कलकत्ता, लखनऊ, रुड़की।

Also, available data on Salem, Bangalore and Always was examined by the Team. They visited Durgapur site also.

Incidence of Pneumoconiosis in Coal Mines

*4. **Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1145 on the 21st March, 1958 and state: