

MR. SPEAKER: I have passed on to the next question.

SHRI RATANSINH RAJDA: You are looking only to the right and left. Sometimes you should be a centrist also. Both the extremes are there.

अध्यक्ष महोदय : कभी आप नजर आ जाते हैं, कभी कोई और नजर आ जाता है। यह तो चलता ही रहता है।

SHRI RATANSINH RAJDA: Either you are radical or conservative, but centrism is good.

भारत की निर्यात निष्पादन के बारे में अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय मुद्रा कोष का खेद

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* 395. श्री सूरज भान :

श्री राम प्रसाद अहिरवार :

क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को इन प्रेस समाचारों की जानकारी है कि भारत के निर्यात निष्पादन तथा औद्योगिक उत्पादन की धीमी गति से अप्रसन्न होने के कारण अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय मुद्रा कोष ने सरकारी कर्मचारियों के सेवाकाल में वृद्धि करने ताकि पेंशन के रूप में 200 करोड़ रुपये की अदायगी को टाला जा सके तथा बैंकों द्वारा ऋण की सुविधा कम करने जैसे कुछ वित्तीय प्रतिबंधों की सलाह दी है ;

(ख) तत्संबंधी तथ्य क्या हैं ; और

(ग) क्या सरकार दोनों कदम उठायेगी ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) No such suggestions, as indicated in part (a) of the question, have been

made by the international Monetary Fund.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

श्री सूरज भान : मेरे प्रश्न का ओपनिंग सेंटेंस यह है

whether Government are aware of the press reports.

इन्होंने इस को डिनाई नहीं किया है—माना भी नहीं है। प्रेस रिपोर्ट देखी भी है या नहीं देखी है, यह जानकारी नहीं है। मैं "करंट" 28 जनवरी के बारे में बताना चाहता हूँ। मेरे प्रश्न में चार चीजों का जिक्र है—

export performance, low tempo of industrial production, extension of tenure to Government employees and tightening of bank lending facility.

मैं माननीय मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या यह सही नहीं है कि हमारा एक्सपोर्ट पूरे वर्ल्ड का 2.2 परसेंट थी जो आज घटकर 0.4 रह गया है। क्या यह भी सही है कि हम एक्सपोर्ट के मामले में 1960 में विश्व में 16 वें नंबर पर थे और आज हमारी 46वीं पोजीशन है। हाउस में भी माना है कि हमारा इंडस्ट्रियल प्रोडक्शन घट गया है। गवर्नमेंट एंप्लायज का 58 के बाद एक्सटेंशन बंद कर दिया गया है और बैंक लौडिंग फैसेलिटीज बंद हो गई हैं।

मैं मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ जैसा कि बताया गया है कि आई एम एफ की कोई कंडीशन नहीं है, कोई गाइड लाइंस नहीं है तो क्या किसानों, मजदूरों और गरीब आदमियों को जो बैंकों से लोन मिलना बंद कर दिया गया है उसको दुबारा शुरू किया जायेगा ?

SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE: I am afraid, I have not been able to understand the question of the hon. Member. As I understand it, he mentioned certain press report without mentioning the name or giving the details. So, it is not possible to comment on it. Unless he mentions the name of the newspaper or magazine and the particular date on which it appeared.

SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE:
Current.

SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE: That is not mentioned in the question. You look at the question. What I say is that I have not received any such suggestion from IMF stating that 'your export performance is bad and you are to do anything.' I have not received anything like that.

SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:
Have they expressed their satisfaction?

SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE: There is no question of expressing satisfaction or dissatisfaction and I think I should not say it because I do not depend on their certificate or their satisfaction, but even when the matter is being reviewed, they look into it.

About the second point, against the hon. Member is confused about 2 per cent of our share in it. The position is not like that. What you are referring to is the share of trade—trade means both export and import. I am afraid India did never reach a stage where India's share in the world export was 2.64 per cent. True, in absolute terms our share in world trade has gone down and we ourselves have admitted it. Therefore, it is not a new factor, IMF need not tell about it. But in spite of that, export is expanding. When the hon. Members get the opportunity of discussing the Demand of the relevant Ministry, they will look into the details, but qualitatively it is changing;

our export basket today consists of manufactured items which are proportionately more than what it was just before a decade. Even in regard to the diversification of the market, the actual figure, I think, we have given both in the Economic Survey and in my Budget Statement—about 16 per cent including oil would be the growth of export so far as the current year is concerned, though the detailed figures are not available because we do not get the upto-date information from the office of the Director General of Commercial Intelligence. That also stands in the way sometimes.

Sir, I do not know what else I can answer to this.

SHRI SURAJ BHAN: What about bank lending facilities?

(Interruptions)

SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE: My business here is giving detailed and exhaustive reply almost every week and even to the earlier questions I have given you information about what have been the advances to the number of rural branches, advances to the priority sectors. Almost every week we are flooding you with information.

(Interruptions)

श्री सुरज भान: अध्यक्ष महोदय, कई बार हमें घरों में यह देखने को मिलता है कि सास बहू को कह देती है कि साड़ी का पल्लू सिर पर रखा करो या जब नाखून बढ़े हुए होते हैं तो कह देती है कि नाखून काट दो। जब बहू की सहेली उससे पूछती है कि तुम्हारे सिर पर पल्लू क्यों है और तुम्हारे नाखून क्या कटे हुए हैं क्या तुम्हारी सास ने कहा है। वह इससे इन्कार नहीं करेगी कि सास ने कहा है मन्त्री महोदय, क्या आप की पोजीशन ऐसी तो नहीं है।

PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE:
When mother-in-law is not present, how can this question arise?

SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE: I am afraid I cannot enjoy this joke as I do not understand Hindi.

Review of performance of D. R. I. Scheme

*397. SHRI GADADHAR SAHA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the objectives of the Differential Rate of Interest Scheme;

(b) the extent to which the objectives have so far been achieved;

(c) whether the socio-economic status of the targeted section of the population has been improved as expected; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof, and whether any review as to the performance of the D. R. I. Scheme has been conducted so far and if so, the results thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) to (b). A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a): The objective of the Scheme is to improve the socio-economic conditions of the weakest amongst the weak sections of the society through bank credit at concessional rate of interest for small productive ventures.

(b) to (d). According to sample study carried out by National Institute of Bank Management (NIBM) the Differential Rate of Interest Scheme has for most part covered the class of people for whom it is meant and a majority of beneficiaries have recorded positive changes in their socio-economic position, as reflected by increase in incomes and value of assets possessed. The study has, however, pointed out that cases where absence of positive change is observed factors mainly responsible have been inadequate financing, lack of supervision of end-use of loans, divergence between repayment periods

and purposes for which the loans were provided, financing of projects and schemes which were *ab-initio* not viable. These need to be corrected to secure optimal results in a much larger number of cases of Differential Rate of Interest financing.

SHRI GADADHAR SAHA: Mr. Speaker, Sir, in the context of the observation made by the hon. Minister here, there are cases where no socio-economic condition has been changed under the Scheme and there are factors responsible for inadequate financing, lack of supervision of end use of loan, my specific question is: What are the corrective measures taken by the Government for improvement in the coverage of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes borrowers and elimination of factors responsible for inadequate financing, lack of supervision of end use of loan and for securing optimal results in a larger number of cases of DRI financing?

SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Under D.R.I. scheme we have been able to give as on December, 1981 an amount of Rs. 255.65 crores and the borrower account under this Scheme is about Rs. 29 lakhs. So far as the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes are concerned the borrower account is about Rs. 13.7 lakhs and the amount that has been outstanding as on December 1981 is about Rs. 122.98 crores. So, we have taken steps also to improve the socio economic conditions of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. It is very clear from the amount that has been given to this sector percentage wise is 48.1 per cent.

SHRI GADADHAR SAHA: One part of my question has not been answered. What are the corrective measures taken by the Government for improvement in the coverage of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and elimination of factors responsible for inadequate financing, lack of supervision of end-use of loan and for securing optimal results in larger number of cases of D.R.I. financing?