

Shri C. R. Pattabhi Raman: Will these export-houses deal and correspond directly with the foreign buyers or will they go through the Government agencies?

Shri Satish Chandra: They can deal directly with the foreign firms.

Shri Tyagi: Will any of the export materials handled by the State Trading Corporation be transferred to these export-houses, and will they act as the agents of the State Trading Corporation as well?

Shri Satish Chandra: That is not the intention at present; the intention is that they should, on their own, find out new business.

श्री म० ला० द्विवेदी : मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि कितने एक्सपोर्ट हाउसेज बनाने की योजना है और उन पर क्या व्यय आने वाला है ।

श्री सतीश चन्द्र : मैंने अभी जवाब दिया था, मानतीय सदस्य शायद यहां नहीं थे ।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : कुल योजना कितने एक्सपोर्ट हाउसेज के बारे में है ।

श्री सतीश चन्द्र : दो एक्सपोर्ट हाउसेज के लिये ऐप्लिकेशन्स आई हैं । आगे जितनी आयेंगी, उन पर गौर करेंगे ।

Shri Narasimhan: May I know whether in the matter of handloom exports, they will have representation here or they will deal with the matter separately?

Shri Satish Chandra: Handloom is a traditional item of export and there are other agencies for that purpose. There is a Handloom Fabric co-operative Marketing Society which deals with exports of handlooms for traditional markets.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. Member does not want all this information. He only wants to know whether these export-

houses also deal with the export of handlooms?

Shri Satish Chandra: If they bring in fresh business, they are welcome to do so. It is not prescribed by us.

Heavy Electrical Plants

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Shri A. M. Tariq:
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Osman Ali Khan:
Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:
Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:
Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:
Shri A. K. Gopalan:
Shri M. K. Kumaran:
Shri Warior:
Shri Kodian:
Shri Punnoose:
Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi:
Shri Raghunath Singh:
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Shri Hem Raj:
Shri Naval Prabhakar:
Shri Bhakt Darshan:
Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri:
Shri Muhammed Elias:
Shri Hem Barua:
Shri Rami Reddy:
Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:
Shri N. R. Muniswamy:
Shri Subbiah Ambalam:
Shri Assar:
Shri Pangarkar:
Shri Nanjappan:

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

(a) whether the details of the projects for setting up of two heavy electrical plants in collaboration with Russia and Czechoslovakia and in consultation with the technical delegation which went to the two countries have since been finalised;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, at what stage are the projects now?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) to (c). Not yet, Sir; the Technical Committee, set up to discuss with the foreign consultants for finalising the details of the two projects and to make recommendations for their suitable location, is

expected to submit its recommendations to the Government in two or three months time.

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श्री मनुभाई शाह : अभी तो हमारे पास रिपोर्ट नहीं आई है । इसलिये मैं माननीय सदस्य को कोई इन्फार्मेशन नहीं दे सकता हूँ ।

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श्री मनुभाई शाह : हम ऐसी कोई हिदायत नहीं करते हैं । उनकी साइट देखनी पड़ती है, सूटेबिलिटी देखनी पड़ती है, टेक्निकल एग्जामिनेशन करना पड़ता है ।

Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi: May I know whether the location has been fixed, and if not, what places are under consideration for the location of these plants?

Shri Manubhai Shah: That was what I answered earlier. The techni-

cal committee will examine this, and will also have consultations with the foreign experts regarding both the scope of the projects and also by examination of the actual sites, what the suitable sites are, and then make their recommendations.

Shri D. C. Sharma: May I know the items that were referred to this technical committee for discussion with the countries to which they went?

Shri Manubhai Shah: The items were what types of turbines, what types of generators, and what types of other heavy electrical equipment including diesel engine and boilers required for the thermal stations hydil stations should be manufactured here, and also the nature of technical collaboration, and the conditions and terms under which those countries will be prepared to offer it.

Shri Abdul Salam: May I know whether the Czechoslovakian delegation visited Tiruchirappalli in Madras State and found the place most suitable for the establishment of the heavy electrical plant; and if so, what action Government propose to take in the matter?

Shri Manubhai Shah: We have no information as to what they found. They did go and see various sites.

श्री अ० ला० द्विवेदी : अन्वेषण के लिये किन-किन स्थानों के सुझाव आये थे और उन स्थानों की जांच कब तक पूर्ण हो जायेगी?

श्री मनुभाई शाह : मैंने बतलाया कि जहाँ तक स्थान का सवाल है, अलग-अलग स्टेट्स में जांच करनी पड़ती है ।

Shri M. L. Dwivedi: So many places have been examined already. I have got personal knowledge of this, and yet I am being told that nothing has been done.

Mr. Speaker: I am not going to allow this question. The report is to be awaited. Hon. Members are entitled, and every individual citizen

is entitled, to make suggestions, and they have to be considered by the technical committee with reference to the availability of raw materials and various other things. There is no meaning in pursuing this question in this way. As a matter of fact, the hon. Minister may mention five lakhs of villages.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: May I know whether this technical committee has visited only such sites as have been recommended by Government or whether they have gone beyond that?

Shri Manubhai Shah: They also make their own, *prima facie* study of the topography of India and the suitability for this type of heavy industries project. Over and above that, they get representations from individuals, municipal corporations and the State Governments, and they go into them, and in a broad manner decide what the likely sites are and then examine the matter.

Shri Rami Reddy: May I know whether there is a move to split each of these plants into more than one unit in order to satisfy more States and also the regional considerations?

Shri Manubhai Shah: The general approach in regard to these heavy industries, as I have several times made clear in this House, is that we try to see that as many places get the benefit of their location as possible, subject to the overall economics and the profitability of the project. Therefore, what the magnitude of a project will be, whether it can be further split into more than one unit etc. will all have to be decided by the technical committee, and then they will make their recommendations to Government, so that in the Planning Commission and the Government, we can give a proper consideration.

श्री चित्राक्षि मिश्र: श्री माननीय मंत्री जी ने कहा कि जो बाहर के लोग आयेंगे वह जांच-पड़ताल करेंगे और तब बतलायेंगे। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या हमारी सरकार ने अपने मन में जांच-पड़ताल करके कोई स्थान

निश्चित किया है कि फलों जगह इसको लगाया जायेगा ?

श्री मनुभाई शाह: नहीं हमने अभी कोई स्थान निश्चित नहीं किया। हमारी तकनीकल कमेटी इसी लिये है कि वह फारिन कंसलटेंट्स से काफी पूछनाछ करें। डिसाइड करना तो सरकार के हाथ में है, फारिन कंसलटेंट्स के हाथों में नहीं है।

Shri Raghunath Singh: May I know whether any site has been seen in my State, Uttar Pradesh?

Mr. Speaker: Shri Ram Krishan Gupta.

Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: May I know the names of the States from which requests have been received for the setting up of the factory?

Mr. Speaker: I will not allow this question.

Shri Kodiyan: In the setting up of this plant, apart from the expert committee's opinion, will the economic backwardness of States also be taken into consideration?

Shri Manubhai Shah: All factors including regional backwardness, economic profitability of the project and the suitability of the site from all considerations.

Mr. Speaker: 'Dispersability' also.

Shri Pahadia: May I know whether it is a fact that on the request of the Rajasthan Government, the expert committee visited Gangapur City and they complained to the Minister that they could not visit the place in the presence of the local authorities and local public? May I also know whether they have requested the Minister to visit the place in the presence of the local public?

Shri Manubhai Shah: These are all details of different places. Whichever Government mentions spots on a

prima facie consideration, the technical committee goes into it and if they find a place suitable, they visit the place and carry out all the tests.

Dr. Sushila Nayar: Will the Minister please tell us in detail what are the requirements for the location of the plant?

Shri Manubhai Shah: Then I should be a technical expert for all these projects. It is not possible to say so.

भी प्र० म० तारिक: क्या यह दुस्त है कि रियासत जम्मू व काश्मीर की गवर्नमेंट ने भी अपनी रियासत में इस तरह के प्लांट को लगाने की सिफरिश की है, और अगर को है तो क्या यह टीम वहां भी जायेगी ?

[किया یہہ درست ہے کہ: ریاست جموں و کشمیر کی گورنمنٹ نے بھی اپنی ریاست میں اس طرح کے پلانٹ کے لگانے کی سفارش کی ہے - اور اگر کی ہے تو کیا یہہ تمہیں وہاں بھی جائے گی -]

सध्यक्ष महोदय : जम्मू काश्मीर सरकार उनको इनवाइट करे ।

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: Am I to understand from the Minister's reply that even preliminary work will not be undertaken during the first year of the Third Plan from the way we are proceeding?

Shri Manubhai Shah: No, Sir. I am quite confident that work will begin almost immediately.

Reorganisation of Planning Commission

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Shri Vidya Charan Shukla:

Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are examining the question of reorganising the Planning Commission;

(b) if so, whether any decision has been taken thereon; and

(c) the circumstances which necessitated consideration of this question?

The Deputy Minister of Planning (Shri S. N. Mishra): (a) to (c). The staff requirements and arrangements in relation to the developing requirements of the work to be done are reviewed from time to time and there is a certain amount of reorganisation carried on continuously.

Shri D. C. Sharma: I want to know if the number of members of the Planning Commission is going to be increased in view of the changed circumstances.

Mr. Speaker: Let me make it clear. The hon. Member understood it to be relating to the office establishment. Now he wants to know if the membership itself is going to be increased.

Shri S. N. Mishra: It is the responsibility of the Prime Minister and it is his look-out to see whether the number of members should be increased or not. I cannot say anything about it.

Mr. Speaker: That is all right. He may say, 'I have no information'.

Shri Thirumala Rao: Is it suggested by the hon. Deputy Minister that the question may be asked of the Prime Minister? He cannot say, 'it is not my responsibility'.

Mr. Speaker: Therefore, he should say 'There is a proposal' or 'There is no such proposal'.

Shri S. N. Mishra: May I submit that if a question is asked whether the strength of the Cabinet is to be increased or not, except the Prime Minister nobody will be in a position to answer it?

Mr. Speaker: Order, order. Whoever takes upon himself the responsibility of answering questions regarding a particular matter must be prepared to answer all questions relevant to it. He may say, 'There is no such proposal' or 'There is a proposal'. Otherwise, hereafter I will not allow such questions to be answered on the