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डा० का० ला० श्रीमाली: जी हां, अखबारों में यह समाचार प्रकाशित हम्रा था श्रीर कुछ बातचीत फोर्ड फाउंडेशन से इस सम्बन्ध में हुई थी। फोर्ड फाउंडेशन ने पहले एक यह प्रस्ताव रखा था कि जो दिल्ली यनिवस्टी है उसका विकास किया जाए, कुछ वह मदद देना चाहता है, उसके लिए। बात में उनका यह रूयाल था कि एक ग्रलग विश्व-विद्यालय स्थापित किया जाए। लेकिन गवर्नमेंट ने दूसरे प्रस्ताव को स्वीकार नहीं किया। ग्रगर दिल्ली युनिवस्टी के लिए फोर्ड फाउंडेशन सहायता दे तो उसको स्वीकार लिया जाए, ऐसा इरादा है। लेकिन अलग विश्वविद्यालय फोर्ड फाउंडेशन की सहायता से स्थापित करने का कोई विचार नहीं है।

श्री बजराज सिंह : इसस पूर्व यह भी प्रस्ताव था कि दिल्ली में एक दूसरे विश्व-विद्यालय की, नई दिल्ली क्षेत्र में स्थापना की जाए। इस बात को देखते हए कि दिल्ली में विद्यार्थियों की संख्या लगातार बढती जा रही है स्रीर विद्यार्थियों को दिल्ली विश्व-विद्यालय से सम्बन्धित कालेजों में प्रवेश नहीं मिलता है, क्या सरकार इस बात पर विचार कर रही है कि या तो कोई दूसरा विश्वविद्यालय नई दिल्ली क्षेत्र में स्थापित हो या ग्रन्य कालेज स्था दित हों ताकि दिल्ली में निकलने वाले उन सभी विद्यायियों को जिन्ह प्रवेश म्रावश्यकता है, प्रवेश मिल सके?

डा० का० ला० श्रीमाली : यह सच है कि प्रस्ताव सरकार के सामने है स्रौर युनिवर्स्टी ग्रांटस कमिशन के सामने रहा है ग्रीर उस पर विचार भी किया गया है और मैं समझता हं कि एक दूसरे विश्वविद्यालय की दिल्ली में भावश्यकता है क्योंकि जो लड़को की तादाद है वह निरंतर बढती जा रही है। अनुमान है कि २१,००० से वह संख्या ग्रगले चार पांच सालों में बढ कर ३०,००० हो जाएगी । इसमें सन्देह नहीं कि एक दूसरे विश्वविद्यालय की ग्राषश्यकता है। लेकिन जो धनराशि इस समय रखी गई है मिनिस्ट्री श्राफ एज्केशन के लिए वह इतनी कम है कि युनिवस्टी ग्रांट्स कमिशन नहीं समझता है कि वह ग्रासानी से एक नया विश्वविद्यालय ततीय पंच वर्षीय योजना में स्थापित कर सकेंगा। लेकिन फिर भी मैं श्रापसे निवेदन करना चाहता हं कि कोशिश हमारी यह होगी कि अगर कुछ धनराशि हमको मिल सके तो यह नई यनिवस्टी स्थापित कर दी जाए।

Shri Braj Raj Singh rose-

Mr. Speaker: I think we have been treated to a discourse on this subject, not a question and answer. Next question.

Shri Braj Raj Singh: The only point is this. I am not interested, nor are the people of Delhi interested in a second University. We are only interested in seeing that all students who seek admission for education are provided education. We must be assured about

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: The hon. Member is aware that Government are taking various measures to provide facilities for higher education to as many students as possible. Now, our resources are limited. At the same time, we have now made provision for four evening colleges and we are also making arrangements for correspondence courses. So Government will make every possible effort to provide facilities. But we must not forget that there is a limitation of funds. We do not have unlimited resources. That aspect has to be constantly borne in mind by hon, Member.

Steel Plant in Madras

Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: Shri Raghunath Singh: Shri Osman Ali Khan: Shri Prakash Vir Shastri: *1747. Z Shrimati Krishna Mehta: Shri P. C. Borooah: | Shri Subbiah Ambalam: Sardar Iqbal Singh: ... Shri Koratkar:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to refer to the

| Shri D. C. Sharma:

reply given to Starred Question No. 555 on the 29th November, 1960 and state:

- (a) the progress made so far by the Committee comprising officials of the Ministry of steel, Mines and Fuel and the Madras State in investigating and reporting the feasibility of setting up a steel plant in Madras; and
- (b) by what time they will submit their report?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh); (a) and (b): As was stated by me in answer to the question of the 29th November 1960, the Committee can report only after the detailed investigations recommended by it have been carried out and large scale commercial tests undertaken with representative quantities of lignite, iron ore limentone. Latest reports show that lignite will be available in quantity only by about September 1961. Large scale commercial tests will be undertaken thereafter.

Shri Ram Krishan Gupta: What steps are being taken to assess the iron ore potentialities in this area??

Sardar Swaran Singh: Iron ore is available in the Salem area, and work has already been done to locate the depsits both qualitatively as well as quantitatively.

Shri Tangamani: Morethan months have passed since this top level committee was set up. Am I to take it that this committee has not submitted any report? Is it a fact that this committee has recommended that the lignite should be sent to East Germany or any other country for testing? If so, has the requisite quantity of lignite been sent for testing?

Sardar Swaran Singh: That is precisely the reply that I have given. The committee did meet. made a recommendation that lignite in requisite quantities cannot be mined till September 1961.

Shri Ramanathan Chettiar: May I know what is the capacity of proposed steel plant in Madras?

Sardar Swaran Singh: It is too early for me to indicate that at the present stage.

Shri Basappa: Certain raw materirials for the steel plant are also to be found in Mysore. May I know whether the Mysore State will be consulted in the matter of starting steel plant in the South?

Sardar Swaran Singh: There is already a steel plant in Mysore State.

Shri D. C. Sharma: May I know if the Ministry is thinking of setting up this steel plant in the Fourth or the Third Five Year Plan period? If it is in the Third Five Year Plan period, why are all these investigations being delayed so much?

Sardar Swaran Singh: No investigation is being delayed. I have said that tests on a commercial scale have to be undertaken, which means that certain minimum quantities of lignite have to be mined and subjected to those tests. These quantities cannot be mined till September 1961 for a variety of reasons, the most prominent one amongst them being the difficult mining conditions at Neyveli. On account of the upward thrust of water, the process of mining has to be gradual.

Shri Thirumala Rao: In view of the recent statement attributed to the hon. Minister that he would consider the possibility of having a steel plant in Andhra because iron ore, coal and other materials required for the steel plant are available in Andhra, may I know whether it is contemplated to appoint a committee to go into matter?

Sardar Swaran Singh: I think the matter is already being discussed between the representatives of the Andhra Pradesh Government and the Central Government. I am not quite certain. I think there is a committeealso.

Shri D. C. Shrama: The hon. Minister has not given a reply to my question whether it would be in the Third Five Year Plan or in the Fourth Five Year Plan.

Sardar Swaran Singh: I have already stated that the final decision can be taken only after commercial tests are undertaken. Commercial tests will be undertaken after the lignite is available; that is after September. Depending on the results of that, the final decision can be taken. So, it is premature for me to say whether there will be a steel plant or not; much less to say whether it will be in the Third Plan or in the Fourth Plan.

Shri C. R. Pattabhi Raman: Will the railway line from Neyveli to Salem—and other transport routes also—be taken along with this or will they have to wait for investigation?

Sardar Swaran Singh: It is a suggestion for action, Sir.

श्रीम शिक्षणा मेह्या : क्या जम्मू कश्मीर रयासते में भी कोई इस्पात कारखाना खोलने का विदार है क्योंकि जम्मू के इलाके में पाला कोट में कीयला वगैरह वहत पाया जाता है ?

सरदार स्वर्ण सिंह: ग्रगर भच्चा माल वहां ज्यादा होगा तो उस पर भी दिवार किया जा सफता है।

Shri Narasimhan: For the purposes of test only a comparatively small quantity of lignite is needed. Why should so many months be neded for getting out this small quantity of lignite?

Mr. Speaker: We are going into details.

Shri Narasimhan: Sir, the reason given was that it was pending for the collection of the necessary quantity of lignite. But, I want to know why there should be such a difficulty for getting a small quantity of lignite. Upward thrust of water need not

stand in the way of getting a small quantity?

Sardar Swaran Singh: The quantity needed is not small. Secondly, even for mining a small quantity the upward thrust of water cannot be ignored.

Mr. Speaker: The other day the same question were put and the answer was that some ten thousand tons have to be exported.

Shri Tangamani: One thousand tons.

Mr. Speaker: It was said that 1,000 tons were necessary. The hon. Minister said that he wanted to find out whether it can be done on a commercial basis. Hon, Members are present on some days and not present on other days. So, they put the same questions again and again.

Coal and Steel for Punjab

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Shri Ajit Singh Sarhadi:
Shri Daljit Singh:
Shri Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Hem Raj:
Shri Pangarkar:

Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Punjab State Government have requested that the quota of coal and steel for the small scale industries be increased for 1961:
- (b) if so, the quantity of coal and steel demanded;
- (c) the decision taken by the Government of India; and
- (d) whether the Government of India contemplates increase because of lack of heavy industries in Punjab?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh) (a) to (d). The Punjab Government have not actually asked for an increased quota of steel and coal for the small