

we could not get through. So, we will ask them to expedite the enquiry and make a report.

Shri T. B. Vittal Rao: Who are the members of this committee? Is it the same committee which enquired into the blast that occurred at Kurasia?

Sardar Swaran Singh: It is perhaps the same committee with Shri Nar-gundkar of Singareni collieries as the Chairman or as one of the important members but I am not sure about it.

Shri Tangmani: The capacity of this mine was 18,000 tons per mensem. I would like to know whether the entire mine had to be closed and the production stopped, or only a part of it, because from the statement it appears that although only one of the inclines caught fire, the entire production has been stopped.

Sardar Swaran Singh: No. Production only in that incline stopped. That is clarified in the statement.

Shri Indrajit Gupta: It is being reported in the press that these underground fires in some of the N.C.D.C. mines beginning from Gidi and subsequently a much more serious fire at Kurasia, are taking place under mysterious circumstances. Has this aspect been investigated or explored or considered in any way by the Ministry? It is a very serious matter.

Sardar Swaran Singh: When these unfortunate accidents take place, people generally make their own allegations. It is not for me to contradict any allegation that might have been made. An enquiry committee has been constituted. It will go into the cause of the fire. I should await their report rather than prejudice the investigation work of the enquiry committee one way or the other.

सीमावर्ती क्षेत्रों में सड़कों

*१२८२. श्री खुशबक्त राय : क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उत्तर प्रदेश के सीमावर्ती क्षेत्रों में सड़कों बनाने का उत्तर-

दायित्व डायरेक्टर जनरल आफ बार्ड रोड्स का नहीं है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसका क्या कारण है ?

गृह-कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य-मंत्री (अ. दातार) : (क) और (ख). उत्तर प्रदेश के सीमान्त क्षेत्रों में सड़कों के निर्माण के लिए प्रांत के अन्य क्षेत्रों के समान साधारणतः राज्य सरकार ही जिम्मेदार है। डायरेक्टर जनरल आफ बार्ड रोड्स विशेष रूप से सैनिक (सुरक्षा) महत्व की सड़कों का निर्माण कराते हैं।

I shall read it in English also.

(a) and (b). The construction roads in the border areas of Uttar Pradesh, as in the rest of the State is normally the responsibility of the State Government. In the case of certain roads of strategic significance the construction is undertaken by the Director General, Border Roads as a special case.

श्री खुशबक्त राय : क्या मैं यह जान सकता हूँ कि उत्तर प्रदेश में जो सड़कों के निर्माण का कार्य चल रहा है उस की प्रगति क्या बहुत धीमी नहीं है, और कहीं कहीं पर तो नहीं के बराबर है ?

Shri Datar: They send reports to me from time to time regarding new strategic roads.

Mr. Speaker: Is the work going on quickly? That is what the hon. Member wants to know probably.

Shri Datar: There is nothing to suppose that it is being slowed down.

श्री भक्त बर्शन : श्रीनमन् क्या गवर्नमेंट के ध्यान में यह बात आई है कि चूंकि इन सड़कों का निर्माण उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार ने सार्वजनिक निर्माण विभाग द्वारा किया जा रहा है, और उन के काम का सिस्टम वहीं पुरानी ठेकेदारी प्रथा का है, इस की वजह से

काम में कोई प्रगति नहीं हो रही है, और पिछले दिनों बंदीनाथ के यात्रियों को बड़ी कठिनाइयाँ इस वजह से हुई कि काम पूरा नहीं हुआ था ? अतः क्या इस काम में तेजी लाई जायेगी ?

Shri Datar: I am not aware of the ground suggested by the hon. Member. If he has any specific grounds he may pass them on to me.

श्री खुशवंत राय : क्या मैं जान सकता कि उत्तर प्रदेश की जो डकें ह वे स्ट्रेटिजिक इम्पॉर्ट की क्यों नहीं मानी गई ?

Shri Datar: They have been. There are roads of strategic importance and we are constructing them.

Shri Hem Barua rose—

Mr. Speaker: Does the hon. Member come from U.P.?

Shri Hem Barua: It does not matter; we come here on an all-India basis.

श्री म० ला० द्विवेदी : मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि उत्तर प्रदेश की सीमान्त सड़कों में से कौन कौन सी सड़कें सरकार ने अपने हाथ में ली हैं बनाने के लिये, उन में कितना काम हुआ है और उन पर कितने व्यय का अनुमान है।

Shri Datar: So far as strategic roads are concerned, it would not be in public interest to disclose them. So far as the non-strategic roads in which the State Governments are interested are concerned, I have not got the details with me.

Shri Hem Barua: May I submit, Sir, that generally the allegation against the Assamese people is that they do not want to function on an all-India basis. But even if we try to function on an all-India basis, we are not given an opportunity.

Mr. Speaker: Whoever watches the proceedings in this House and the part Shri Hem Barua is playing will never say that. This will all stand him in very good stead. I need not allow all the questions for him. This will stand good not only for the coming elections but for a number of elections.

Let there be no misunderstanding. I do not want that an impression should be created that any hon. Member puts questions with any particular election in view. I only wanted to say that Shri Hem Barua is taking a lot of interest. I did not want to cast any aspersions even indirectly. But, if he takes it as a compliment I have no objection.

Shri Tyagi: There must be a convention established that compliments given to a member from the Chair should not be used in election propaganda.

Shri Hem Barua: May I submit that during all these 4½ years of my existence here, I have been systematically subjected to admonitions by you, and I expected you to say a few fine things about me. Since a few words of praise have come from you why should these not be mentioned?

बृहत् हिन्दी शब्दसागर

*१२८४. श्री म० ला० द्विवेदी : क्या शिक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) बृहत् हिन्दी शब्दसागर तैयार करने के लिये कितनी धनराशि नियत की गयी है ;

(ख) इनमें से कितने रुपये की अदायगी हो चुकी है ;

(ग) शब्दसागर का कितना भाग तैयार हो चुका है ; और

(घ) पूर्ण शब्दसागर कब तक तैयार हो जायेगा ?

शिक्षा मंत्री (डा० का० ला० श्रीमाली) :

(क) इस प्रयोजन के लिए नागरी प्रचारिणी सभा, वाराणसी को १ लाख रुपये का अनुदान स्वीकृत किया गया था, परन्तु सभा ने ६५,००० रुपये के अतिरिक्त अनुदान की प्रार्थना की है।

(ख) ६०,००० रुपये।

(ग) प्रथम खण्ड की सामग्री प्रेम को भजन के लिए तैयार है।