

him, I will call him D. C. Sharma. When I have to call the other gentleman, I will call him Sharma.

**Shri D. C. Sharma:** I accept your ruling.

May I know what percentage of the outlay on this plant approximately will be met out of our indigenous resources, and what percentage we will have to get from foreign resources?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** It is rather difficult to make an estimate. Apart from equipment, other things could be done indigenously. Roughly 30-35 per cent of the equipment could be fabricated in India.

**Shri P. Venkatasubbaiah:** May I know whether the Minister feels confident that after constructing the Bokaro steel plant with internal resources we can go ahead with other steel mills in the Fourth Plan?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** Yes, Sir, that is our plan, to reach a target of 18 million tons of ingot steel by the end of the Fourth Plan.

**Shri P. C. Borooah:** May I know whether US collaboration for any specific part of the Bokaro plant is ruled out?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** I do not expect it because it has been made clear that aid will not be available for Bokaro plant.

श्री ह० च० सीय : चूँकि हमने यह फैसला कर लिया है कि हम बोकारो प्लांट स्थापित करेंगे चाहे अमरीकी मदद मिले या न मिले, तो मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि इसमें कोई निर्माण कार्य भी हो रहा, या अभी हम केवल प्लान ही बना रहे हैं ?

श्री प्र० च० सेठी: निर्माण कार्य का जहाँ तक सम्बन्ध है, जमीन एक्वायर कर ली गयी है, प्रोजेक्ट रिपोर्ट आ गयी है, उस पर एक्सपर्ट कमेटी विचार कर रही है। उसके बाद टेंडर निकाले जायेंगे और टेंडर निकालने के बाद कांस्ट्रक्शन का काम शुरू होगा।

**Shri Daji:** In view of the fact that the Minister just now accepted that there were some private interests who worked against the scheme, I would like to know whether Government has found out who those interests were and how it was possible for them to work in a foreign country against national interests and also if any action is contemplated against them?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** The name of one particular individual has come to our notice but I am trying to find out whether it was an individual affair or somebody else also was behind that.

#### Fertilizer Project at Durgapur

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 Shri S. C. Samanta:  
 Shri Mohammad Elias:  
 Shri Subodh Hansda:  
 Shri M. L. Dwivedi:  
 Shri B. K. Das:  
 Shri S. M. Banerjee:  
 Shri Morarka:  
 Shri Ravindra Varma:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that a fertilizer project has been approved for implementation at Durgapur during the current Plan period by the Fertilizer Corporation of India; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

**The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri P. C. Sethi):** (a) and (b). No, Sir; the fact is that a fertilizer project was approved for implementation at Durgapur by a private company proposed to be formed for the purpose, with minority participation by the Government of West Bengal. The project which was sponsored by the Government of West Bengal, was based on the utilisation of surplus gases from the Durgapore Coke Ovens as feedstock and envisaged the production of 400 tons of Urea per day. For various reasons the State Government were unable to implement the project and have now asked the Government of India to get

it implemented by the Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited.

**Shri S. C. Samanta:** What is the final decision of the Central Government in this matter?

**The Minister of Steel, Mines and Heavy Engineering (Shri C. Subramaniam):** No final decision has yet been taken.

**Shri S. C. Samanta:** Is it not a fact that most raw materials will be available there and is the Government going to take an early decision in the matter?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** Originally the raw material was expected to be coke-oven gas available there but it is found now that gas will not be available. Therefore, other raw materials which could be used are coal or naphtha. We are making an assessment of their availability and shall consider where it can best be located.

श्री म० ला० द्विवेदी : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि कितन समय तक अन्तिम निर्णय की सम्भावना है ?

श्री प्र० चं० सेठी : बहुत शीघ्र ।

श्री म० ला० द्विवेदी : बहुत शीघ्र से कोई मतलब नहीं निकला ।

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** My colleague Shri Hamayun Kabir will soon take a decision, I hope.

**Shri Subodh Hansda:** If the private partly has failed to implement this project, may I know whether the licence will be cancelled?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** They have now given up the licence and have asked the Government to take it up.

**Shri S. M. Banerjee:** I would like to know whether the West Bengal Government has failed to take a decision on this fertiliser plant or they expressed certain inabilities or whether they desired that the Centre should come to their rescue in some matter. What is the correct position?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** It was expected that West Bengal Govern-

ment will be a minority participant in this project. Therefore they have now written to us that it should be taken up in the public sector by the Central Government and that is under consideration.

**Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:** Now that there has been a failure on the part of the private sector, may I know whether there is collaboration in the equity participation between the West Bengal Government and the Central Government?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** No; they want this to be taken up as a project of the Fertilizer Corporation.

**Shri K. C. Pant:** May I know why the coke oven gas which was expected to be surplus is not available? Was it an error in calculation or has any of it been utilised elsewhere?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** It looks like it is an error in calculation.

**Shrimati Savitri Nigam:** What action is taken against those companies which take the licence and delay the production and cause a lot of difficulties to the Government? What particular action is being taken?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** We cancel the licence and perhaps when they apply for further licences we may take this into consideration.

**Shri Venkatasubbalah:** Is it a fact that coke oven gas is being utilised for manufacturing naphtha, and it is not being utilised at present because the demand for naphtha is not there and it is actually not working?

**Shri C. Subramaniam:** Coke oven gas is different from naphtha. Coke oven gas is not available, and therefore we are considering whether it should be coal-based or naphtha-based.

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