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3389. श्वी सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद: क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या उन का ध्यान इस बात की ग्रोर दिलाया गया है कि पूर्व रेलवे के बखत्यारपुर राजगीर सेक्शन के रेलवे स्टेशनों पर प्रतीक्षालयों, पीने का जल, विद्युत् तथा स्नान-गृह की पर्याप्त व्यवस्था नहीं है;
- (ख) क्या इस रेलवे लाइन पर गाड़ियों के मधिकांश डिब्बों में प्रकाश ग्रथवा जल नहीं है ;
- (ग) क्या यह सच है कि प्रथम श्रेणी के डिब्बों में पंखे सदा खराब रहते हैं ग्रौर उनमें गिह्यां नहीं हैं तथा उनकी सप्लाई की ग्रोर कोई घ्यान नहीं दिया जाता;
- (घ) क्या यह भी सच है कि इंजनों में गड़बड़ी के कारण गाड़ियां कभी समय पर नहीं चलती हैं; ग्रौर
- (ङ) यदि उपरोक्त भाग (क) से (ष) तक का उत्तर स्वीकारात्मक हो तो इस बारे में क्या कायवाही की जा रही है?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० राम सुभग सिंह): (क) जी नहीं । इस सेक्शन पर प्रतीक्षालय, पीने के पानी और स्नानघरों की जो व्यवस्था है वह पर्याप्त समझी जाती हैं । इस सेक्शन के नौ में से सात स्टेशनों पर पहले से विजली मौजूद है और बाकी दो स्टेशनों पर बिजली लगाने के बारे में बिचार किया जा रहा है ।

(ख) जी नहीं, गाड़ी के डिब्बों में रोशनी और पानी की व्यवस्था है। बिड्तियारपुर स्टेशन पर गाड़ी में पानी भरने का प्रबन्ध है और बैटरी चार्ज करने वाला एक सैट लगाने की भी व्यवस्था की जा रही है।

- (ग) जी नहीं, पंखों की देखभाल और उनके अनुरक्षण तथा गहियों की सफाई पर नियमित रूप से ध्यान दिया जाता है।
- (घ) जी नहीं । इंजन के कारण गाड़ियों के समय खोने का प्रतिशत बहुत कम है ग्रौर कुल मिला कर गाड़ियों की समय की पाबन्दी (95%) है ।
 - (ङ) सवाल नहीं उठता ।

H.M.T. Unit in Kerala

3390. Shri Imbichibava: Shri A. K. Gopalan; Shrimati Maimoona Sultan;

Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government started a Hindustan Machine Tools Unit in Kerala:
- (b) if so, when it started the production: and
- (c) its total production in 1965-66 and the number of persons employed therein?

The Minister of Industry (Shri D. Sanjivayya): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) Trial production commenced in October 1964, and commercial production in April 1965.
- (c) 331 machines valued at Rs. 132 lakhs. The number of employees as on the 31st March 1966 was 2026.

Department of Materials Planning

- 3391. Shri Karni Singhji: Will the Minister of Supply, Technical Development and Materials Planning be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the report of the Fiveman Committee appointed to make case studies and suggest how the new Department of Materials Planning.

might be organised, has been received; and

(b) if so, the salient features thereof?

The Minister of Supply, Technical Development and Materials Planning (Shri K. Raghu Ramaiah): (a) and (b). The Report of the Committee on Materials P'anning, of which the membership had been enlarged to 10, has since been received. The Committee has furnished the forecast of estimates of the import requirements in respect of copper and rubber for each year upto 1970-71, taking account the targets of demand domestic availability of these commodities. The Committee has also made recommendations about the organisational set up necessary for handling the work entrusted to the Department of Materials Planning.

The recommendations made by the Committee are being examined by the Government.

Rubber Cultivation in Kerala

3392, Shri M. K. Kumaran: Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a rapid increase in the number of small holdings in rubber cultivation in Kerala:
- (b) if so, whether there is any programmes to co-ordinate them through the formation of Co-operative Societies; and
- (c) if so, at what stage the matter rests?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Commerce (Shri Shafi Qureshi):
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The Rubber Board has been encouraging the formation of Co-operative Societies for the co-ordination of the activities of the small growers. So far 150 such Co-operative Societies have been organised; about fifty more are expected to

come up in the course of the next one year.

Derailment of Bhusaval Bound Goods

3393. Shri Ram Harkh Yadav: Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey: Shri Brij Basi Lal:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Bhusaval-bound goods train was derailed on the 12th July 1966 between Unchdih and Manda Road Railway Stations on the Jabalpur-Allahabad Section of the Central/Northern Railway; and
- (b) if so, the details of the loss of life and property?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):
(a) Up Bhusaval Special goods train derailed between Unchdih and Meja Road stations on Moghalsarai-Allahabad section of Northern Railway on 11-7-66.

(b) There was no loss of life. The cost of damage to railway property was estimated at approximately Rs. 22,1501-.

Export Contracts

3394. Shri Ram Harkh Yadav: Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have raised the invoice value of export contracts;
- (b) if so, the implications of the order; and
 - (c) its effect on exports?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir. The Government of India have advised all exporters to raise the invoice value of the contracts expressed in rupees, entered into before devaluation, with