

duction of coal from E.C.L. Mines. We don't agree with that. We believe that there is nearly 27 thousand million metric tonnes of coal reserve upto a depth of 600 to 1200 meters and it is not sinking down yet. The Government is not making proper arrangements for its extraction and safety because of which the coal is catching fire. The land belonging to farmers is sinking down because of unscientific and slotter mining. The Government had opened 36 mines in West Bengal and it was promised that 20 thousand unemployed people would be provided jobs in addition to rehabilitation of the people. Neither that was done nor were they rehabilitated.

MR. SPEAKER: Please ask the question.

SHRI HARADHAN RAI: There was a package deal of Coal India Limited with the West Bengal Government. In this connection an agreement was signed to take scientific measures to prevent it and in the agreement there is a provision to reclaim the land after mining of coal and taking it to OCP. In the Sonpur Bazari Package there is a provision that the affected people will be rehabilitated. The family members of the affected people would be provided either with employment or compensatory allowance.

MR. SPEAKER: Ask the question, please.

SHRI HARADHAN RAI: My question is that whether the Government is going to follow the package and provide employment to the unemployed people. Secondly, one of my friends has said that machines are being imported from foreign countries for use in the coal mines, but their use is only 30 per cent. What is the use of importing machinery when 70 per cent of the money gets blocked? The Government should implement Sonpur Bazari Project and Storing Rehabilitation Programme and fulfill the requirements of land.

[English]

MR. SPEAKER: Have you understood the question?

SHRI P.A. SANGMA: Sir, the Hon. Member is referring to an agreement. We have a number of projects and a number of agreements.

As far as the question of rehabilitation of the displaced persons is concerned – I had an occasion last time to inform the august House – we are coming out with a new package of rehabilitation of the displaced persons which in my view is a very-very good one and I am sure the hon. House will be very happy. I hope to announce it within this Session.

Technical Collaboration with Foreign Company

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DR. A.K. PATEL:
SHRI SHANKERSINH
VAGHELA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have entered into a technical collaboration with the Rockwell Incorporated International of USA and Hitachi of Japan for production of coaches and traction motors respectively;

(b) if so, the terms of the collaboration;

(c) the precise need to go in for the collaboration; and

(d) whether know-how for production of such coaches and traction motors is available within the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) Railways had entered into technical collaboration with M/s. Hitachi for production of traction motors of Electric Locomotives.

(b) Main terms of collaboration were:

Supply of design, drawings and manufacturing technology of more powerful traction motors with higher class of insulation and Supply of

components and raw material, jigs, tools and fixture for manufacture in India.

(c) and (d). Know-how for production of this type of motor was not available in the country.

DR. A.K. PATEL: Mr. Speaker, Sir, may I know the date of contract with these countries and what is the position today regarding the work?

SHRI MALLIKARJUN: The contract was entered into somewhere in 1964. Then it had been approved. In late 1970s, they had produced a prototype which was not suitable at that time. Then again modifications were made. In 1980 a prototype was produced which was suitable for our Indian conditions. That is how further production has been started. With this Hitachi, we have an agreement for transfer of technology. We have already paid 108 million yen.

DR. AMRIT LAL KALIDAS PATEL: After entering into an agreement, by which time our country will be able to develop this technology?

SHRI MALLIKARJUN: Now an agreement has been reached between Hitachi and our Government. A sub licence has been given to the Bharat Heavy Electricals and for the Crompton Greaves has been agreed. The Bharat Heavy Electricals have produced traction motors; they have also supplied a number of traction motors. The Crompton Greaves will also be producing them.

SHRI SARAT CHANDRA PATANAYAK: Is the Government considering to enter into a collaboration with foreign companies for rapid urban transport system; if so, the details thereof?

SHRI MALLIKARJUN: It does not pertain to this question.

MR. SPEAKER: He has no information; he needs a notice.

Development of Tourism In Goa

*656. **SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYA:** Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state the details of efforts being made by the Government to develop the places in Goa which have tourist potential?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI M.O.H. FAROOK): A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

Development of any place for tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Government. However, the Central Department of Tourism extends financial assistance to State Governments on the basis of specific proposals received from them, subject to availability of funds, merit and inter-se priorities. An amount of Rs. 41.89 lakhs was sanctioned for tourism development schemes in Goa during the Seventh Five Year Plan. Rs. 26.49 lakhs has already been sanctioned for augmentation of tourism infrastructure in Goa during 1991-92.

SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYA: Is there any proposal pending with the Government of India from the Government of Goa for financial assistance?

SHRI M.O.H. FAROOK: Actually, we have sanctioned about Rs. 26.48 lakhs this year from the Central Government. Therefore, there is no proposal which is pending with the Government of India.

SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYA: Goa is a beautiful place. I feel, for the development of tourism, assistance from the Government of India is needed. They should not wait for a proposal to come from the Government of Goa. I know, the Minister of Tourism is a very dynamic person having novel ideas. Today, tourism in India is only one per cent of the total tourist traffic in the world. I would request the Government of India to come out with novel ideas for the