

Minister whether Government is planning to improve the standard of sportsmen? If so, what are their plans?

**SHRI P. K. THUNGON:** Of course, this scheme is for the improvement of the conditions of the sportsmen and sports-women.

**SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER:** Many sportsmen are selected in our country illegible officially they are to be sent out for certain training. But what happens is that the officials, trainees and managers are more in number than the sportsmen themselves when they go to the foreign countries. This has happened recently when Miss Patankar who was No. 3 in Badminton was selected to represent India in the European tour. But because of lack of fund, she could not go. But there were 9 officials of the Sports Federation who went at the expense of the Federation. When I requested the Federation, they said that it was not my business and if the sportsmen or sports-women want to go out, they should rather get in touch with the Ministry. When a situation like this arises, what is the role of your Ministry to help these people who are No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3 in the country?

**SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL:** When a case like this is brought to our notice, what we can only do is, to ask these people to consider this case in a right manner... (Interruptions).

**SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER:** I would only request the hon. Minister, to see that the number of officials on such tours is reduced, and then automatically more sportsmen will be able to go at the expense of the Federation.

**SHRI P. K. THUNGON:** It is a suggestion... (Interruptions).

**MR. SPEAKER:** It is for the sportsmen and not for the officials that should be the deciding factor. It should be taken care of.

## गिरिडीह रांची लाइन

\* 67. श्री रीत लाल प्रसाद वर्मा :

श्रीमती माधुरी सिंह :

क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सभा में बार-बार आश्वासन दिये गये थे कि गिरिडीह और रांची के बीच बरास्ता, कोडरमा और हजारीबाग टाउन, एक बड़ी रेल लाइन बिछाने की योजना छठी पंचवर्षीय योजना में सम्मिलित की गई है ;

(ख) इस परियोजना को निर्माण कार्य कब आरम्भ होगा ; और

(ग) क्या गिरिडीह और रांची के बीच बरास्ता कोडरमा और हजारीबाग टाउन उपर्युक्त रेल लाइन (223 किलोमीटर) बिछाने के लिये वर्ष 1982-83 के बजट में धनराशि की व्यवस्था की जायगी और इस संबंध में अनिश्चितता दूर करने के लिये इस लाइन का निर्माण कार्य पहले किये गये निर्णय के अनुसार आरम्भ कर दिया जायेगा ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALIKARJUN): (a) to (c). A preliminary engineering-cum-traffic survey for a new B. G. link from Ranchi to Hazaribagh Town to Koderma to Giridih has been sanctioned and the survey is in progress. A decision on the project will be taken as soon as the survey report has been examined, subject to availability of funds.

श्री रीत लाल प्रसाद वर्मा : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मंत्री जी ने कहा है कि इस सर्वे की स्वीकृति दी है। मैं मंत्री जी को आश्चर्य कर देना चाहता हूँ और मुझे आश्चर्य है

कि इसका सर्वे 1977 से चला है और कई बार कम्पलीट हो चुका है। भूतपूर्व रेल मंत्री जी ने 11-12-80 को श्री के. एम. मधुकर के तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या 364 के उत्तर में कहा था कि 8-10-80 को गिरीडीह और रांची के बीच बरास्ता कोडरमा और हजारीबाग टाउन, यह सर्वे रिपोर्ट प्राप्त हो चुकी है। माननीय मंत्री जी ने यह भी कहा था, मैं उनको उद्धृत करूंगा कि माननीय सदस्य ने जो सवाल रखा है कि वह पिछड़ा हुआ इलाका है, यह बात सही है कि वह ट्राइबल एरिया है और उस पर विशेष ध्यान है। सर्वे कम्पलीट हो चुका है और छठी पंचवर्षीय योजना में इन्कलूड होने जा रहा है।

लेकिन अब मंत्री जी कहते हैं कि सर्वे की स्वीकृति दी है, तो यही आश्चर्य है कि कितनी बार इस का सर्वे करायेगे ?

**अध्यक्ष महोदय :** एक बात आपने नहीं पूछी। आपने तो यह पूछा है कि एश्योरेस दिया गया है या नहीं, उसका उत्तर नहीं दिया गया है।

**श्री रीत लाल प्रसाद वर्मा :** हाउस में, इस सदन में ही यह बोला है कि इन्कलूड करने जा रहे हैं और सर्वे हो चुका है। अब यह फिर से सर्वे किस लिये करा रहे हैं। यह तो आलरेडी हो चुका है।

**श्री मल्लिकार्जुन :** यह रिप्रोजल सर्वे है, 1980-81 में जो इन्कलूड किया गया है।

The survey in progress. As soon as the survey is over, it will be examined by the Board, .... (Interruptions).

(व्यवधान)

**श्री राम विलास पासवान :** पहले कहते हैं कि हो गया है और अब कहते हैं कि होने वाला है।

(व्यवधान)

SHRI MALLIKARJUN: The survey is in progress... (Interruptions).

**श्री राम विलास पासवान :** एक मिनिस्ट्री का एक मंत्री कहता है कि सर्वे हो चुका है, छठी योजना में इन्कलूड किया जायेगा और उसी मिनिस्ट्री का दूसरा मंत्री कहता है कि सर्वे होने वाला है। मल्लिकार्जुन जी, आप तो दोनों समय में मंत्री थे, उस समय भी थे और अब भी हैं।

(व्यवधान)

SHRI MALLIKARJUN: I am giving the correct position. I am informing this august House what exactly the position is today. The survey is in progress. After the survey is completed, it will be examined by the Board, and then it will be subject to the clearance from the Planning Commission. The construction work will be taken up...

(Interruptions)

**श्री राम विलास पासवान :** पहले मंत्री का जवाब सही था या इस मंत्री का जवाब सही है ?

**अध्यक्ष महोदय :** मुझे समझने दीजिये इस सवाल को।

(व्यवधान)

**श्री सुनील मैत्रा :** आप पूछिये।

**अध्यक्ष महोदय :** तो मुझे पूछने दीजिये।

(व्यवधान)

**श्री सुनील मैत्रा :** यह ठीक नहीं है।

(Interruptions)

SHRI SUNIL MAITRA Sir, you ask him which one is correct, the previous reply or the present reply. We want your protection. Are they serious in the House? (Interruptions). We beg of your protection.

MR. SPEAKER: I am trying to ask him on your behalf, but you do not listen.

SHRI MALLIKARJUN: Sir, there is some confusion. Let the Hon. Members here know I said that this survey commenced in 1980.....

MR. SPEAKER: One minute, Mr. Malikarjun. The question is whether repeated assurances have been given in the House that a scheme to lay a board gauge railway line between Giridih and Ranchi via Kodarama and Hazaribagh town had been included in the Sixth Five-Year Plan. Whether this assurance was given or not. Let us be clear about it.

SHRI MALLIKARJUN: At the moment I don't know whether the assurance has been given or not.

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Order order.

SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN: Sir, ask the Minister to answer.

(Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: Let me handle it. Why don't you let me handle it? Don't you want me to handle this question? Don't you want to get the facts?

Mr. Sethi, would you like to explain on this? I want the answer be made explicit. When I was going through the papers this morning, I came to know that this has not been answered. You please explain now.

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI P. C. SETHI): I can explain only this much that now an engineering-cum-traffic survey is in progress. The preliminary survey is over.

MR. SPEAKER: My basic question still remains unanswered—whether the assurance was given or not.

SHRI P. C. SETHI: Sir, that I will have to check up.

MR. SPEAKER: This should have been checked up. I defer this question.

SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN: Sir, have you postponed this question?

MR. SPEAKER: Yes.

### Proposed meeting of Developing Countries

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68. SHRI B. V. DESAI:

SHRI GHULAM RASOOL /  
KOCHAK:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Prime Minister of India has called the conference which is aimed at evolving a consensus among the developing countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America and North-South Dialogue;

(b) if so, whether nearly 33 countries have so far agreed to participate in the conference;

(c) whether it is also a fact that China has been invited as a special invitee to attend this conference; and

(d) if so, subjects likely to be discussed?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Yes Sir. At the initiative of the Prime Minister an informal meeting of senior officials of some Asian, African and Latin American countries was convened in New Delhi from February 22-24, 1982. The main purpose of the meeting was to provide an opportunity for taking stock of the situation in regard to North-South issues and to discuss opportunities & perspectives for South-South Cooperation.

(b) and (c). 44 countries participated in the conference. This included China which was a special invitee.

(d) Major subjects discussed were Global Negotiations, Food, Energy,