

are doing our best at our end within the limited resources. Therefore, it is a question of amalgam of the efforts that this study group is making and also independently what the Central Government is doing so that in the ultimate analysis we hope to arrest this wastage of gas, which is now taking place.

Akashvani Appu Sports Club

†778. SHRI M. RAM GOPAL REDDY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that All India Radio proposes to organise Akashvani Appu Sports Club to generate interest in appreciation of various sports among its listeners; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Appu Sports Clubs are voluntary and people's clubs. The idea is that such clubs which will be registered by the concerned AIR Stations on a minimum strength of 10 members per club will be commemorative of the Asian Games; these clubs will generate interest and appreciation for various sports among the listeners and also encourage indigenous and traditional sports. They are expected to start functioning from May, 1982.

SHRI M. RAM GOPAL REDDY: There is very good publicity done for Asian Games. I want to know how many Clubs have been formed so far, and whether any assistance or any financial help is being given by Government, or at least any guidance by their officers to constitute such Clubs. How many club have come about so far?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI VASANT SATHE): The decision was taken very recently. We have given them time to form the clubs upto May.

अध्यक्ष महोदय : हल्दर जी आप से जवान स्पॉटमैन हैं।

SHRI VASANT SATHE: There is no scheme of giving any financial assistance or anything. These are voluntary people's clubs. AIR only wants to encourage a sort of movement in the country in the form of sports clubs—of those who listen to AIR or watch television. There are television clubs. We want to create a sports atmosphere in the country. AIR has the largest reach in the whole country for spreading sports spirit, taking the help of the Asian Games. We are in close cooperation with the Asian Games people. We want to do our maximum to encourage the sports spirit.

अध्यक्ष महोदय : इनका भी क्लब बनाइये और हमारा भी।

श्री एम० राम गोपाल रेड्डी : अध्यक्ष महोदय, स्पोर्ट की स्प्रिट जैसी की मंत्री महोदय बताने की कोशिश कर रहे हैं, उस से मुझे भी स्पोर्ट खोलने का इरादा हो रहा है।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आपके जिस्म से कुछ लगता है।

श्री एम० राम गोपाल रेड्डी : मैं मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ कि हमारे एज के ग्रुप के व्यक्तियों के लिए क्या करने वाले हैं?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : बूटा सिंह भी कर रहे हैं, आगे बढ़ रहे हैं।

SHRI VASANT SATHE: I am glad that the hon. Member is so sports-minded. I know many Members in our Parliament are excellent sportsmen themselves. Everyone can be a good sportsman. Age is no bar, as far as sportsmanship is concerned. Therefore, we will be very happy if the hon. Members of Parliament also form their Appu Clubs and take part in all the activities that we want to generate. There is a game which every one can play.

SHRI KRISHNA CHANDRA HALDER: The Minister, in his original reply and after this supplementary, has said that these Appu Sports Clubs will be organized, and their activities transmitted through All India Radio during the Asian Games. He said something in the Vigyan Bhavan earlier, at the time of the prize-giving ceremony of AIR's competition. I want to know whether after the Asian Games are over, this system will be continued, not only in Delhi but in all the important radio centres like Bombay, Madras and Calcutta.

He spoke about the traditional games. I want to know whether *kabaddi*, *khokho*, and *gulli danda* will be included in this, as he mentioned at Vigyan Bhavan.

SHRI VASANT SATHE: The Appu Sports Clubs will not remain restricted only upto the Asian Games. They are not restricted only to Delhi. These sports clubs are being formed all over the country by all the radio stations. We have about 85 radio stations, and about 10 Doordarshan centres. But this will continue. We want to encourage it. There also I am reminded that for our indigenous games, we have a great tradition in gymnastics, in sports and very expensive sports like *kabadi*, *atta batta*, *kho co co kho* and all that. About malkham, incidentally I may inform my hon. colleague through you that soon teams are coming from Pune and also from Amravati to demonstrate to you the malkham gymnastics in which our

country has great expertise. I hope you will all watch it and will be benefited thereby. (An Hon. Member: On TV?) (Interruptions) No, no, for personal demonstration, they are coming. We will also show it on the TV. But you would love to watch them in person. You must have seen it before. We want to encourage them. We have traditional games. *Guli danda*, of course you said I always consider *guli danda* could be more popular than golf, because golf is a western luxurious game, we like to take it. We must popularise our own national sports, I agree.

SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV: One of the main reasons of indiscipline in sports today in the lack of knowledge of rules about various games by our spectators, players and even empires and judges. Even in one of the cricket matches in which you had also played, one of the Members of Parliament asked me, where is the goal post of the cricket match. This is the position.

MR. SPEAKER: Please be mindful. Which judges are you referring to, let me know?

SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV: In view of this, may I know from the hon. Minister whether special guidelines will be given to All India Radio that emphasis on the education of rules about games will be given so that people may have more knowledge about the rules, and we expect that there will be less crowd violence during the Asian Games?

SHRI VASANT SATHE: This is a very important suggestion. We have already started on the TV and the radio programmes about informing people about the rules of the games. Once you start playing a game, you automatically come to know also the rules, because you are ignorance of the game itself, you do not know the rules. Therefore, the first thing is that

you must start playing games, sports That is one of the important things that I want to tell the House.

* PROF. MADHU DANAVATE: You cannot discuss the conduct of Umpires in the House because they are judges.

MR. SPEAKER: That is what I want to tell him.

श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी : अध्यक्ष महोदय, अभी साठे जी ने सुझाव दिया है कि संसद्-सदस्यों को अपना अस्पू क्लब बनाना चाहिए, तो क्या वे उसे अस्पू क्लब के वजाए अललटपू क्लब कहना पसंद करेंगे ?

श्री वसन्त साठे : हम तो "अस्पू" क्लब" की एन्करेज करना चाहते हैं, लेकिन आप जब बनाएंगे तो वह "टपू" हो सकता है—मुझे कोई एतराज नहीं है।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : अस्पू या टपू. लेकिन क्लब जरूर बनाइए।

डा० सुब्रमण्यम स्वामी : मगर साठे जी तो गपू है।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आप महाराष्ट्र वाले एक-दूसरे की बात समझते हैं।

डा० सुब्रमण्यम स्वामी : मगर आप भोंसले साहब की चर्चा नहीं करने देते हैं यहां।

कोयले की मांग और उत्पादन

* 779. श्री रामनाथ डुबे : क्या ऊर्जा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या देश में कोयले की मांग पूरा करने के लिए कोयले का पर्याप्त उत्पादन हो रहा है ; और

(ख) क्या वितरण और सप्लाई व्यवस्था में दोष होने के कारण देश में कोयले की कमी दिखाई देती है ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL AND IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI GARGI SHANKAR MISHRA): (a) and (b). Coal production was a record 124.92 million tonnes in 1981-82, exceeding the original target by 3.92 million tonnes. There are adequate coal stocks at the pitheads, of over 21.1 million tonnes, to meet the demand in full. The despatch of coal in 1981-82 to consumers was also a record 118 million tonnes. All necessary steps are being taken to meet the consumers requirement in full which include *inter alia* monitoring the movement of coal by rail by the Cabinet Committee on Industrial Infrastructure, release of coal by road against shortfall in rail movement, release of coal without any restrictions from certain identified mines and opening coal dumps at certain important consumption centres, and liberalising the procedure for release of superior grades of coal to actual consumers.

श्री राम नाथ डुबे : मंत्री महोदय ने बताया है कि कोयले की कमी नहीं है। लेकिन देशवासियों को कोयला नहीं मिल पाता है। क्या यह सही है कि कोल कम्पनियों द्वारा उपभोक्ताओं तथा लाइसेंसड कोल डीलर्स को कोल के वितरण में भारी भ्रष्टाचार और पक्षपात किया जाता है जिस कारण से देश में कोयले का कृत्रिम अभाव हो जाता है, यदि हां, तो सरकार इस संबंध में क्या कदम उठाने जा रही है ?

श्री गार्गी शंकर मिश्र : माननीय सदस्य कोई स्थल बताएं जहां उनको भ्रष्टाचार का अनुभव हुआ हो तो उसकी जांच करवाई जा सकती है।

श्री राम नाथ डुबे : मैं बता रहा हूं। ऊर्जा मंत्रालय से यह सूचना दी