

occurs, we draw the attention of the State Government and get the report from them and we have done so in the case of Andhra Pradesh also.

श्री रशीद मसूद : स्पीकर साहब, गलत फिगर्स दी हुई हैं . . . . (व्यवधान)

[श्री रशीद मसूद : اسپیکر صاحب - غلط فیکرس دی ہوئی ہیں - . . . . (انٹروپشن)]

MR. SPEAKER: I am not allowing.

DR. SUBRAMANIAM SWAMY: Why do you want to cut short such an important question? We are arguing for five days here.

MR. SPEAKER: It is not going to be taken up. I have allowed two discussions on the subject. I am going to allow it.

श्री रशीद मसूद : यह बहुत इम्पोर्टेंट है, श्रीमती सुभद्रा जोशी ने जो लिस्ट रिलीज की है उसमें उन्होंने 100 नाम दिये हैं जब कि यहां 84 बताये गये हैं . . . . .

[श्री रशीद मसूद : یہ بہت اہمپورٹینٹ ہے شریمتمی سوبھدرا جوशी نے جو لسٹ رلیز کی ہے اس میں انہوں نے 100 نام دیئے ہیں جب کہ یہاں 84 بتائے گئے ہیں -]

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आप दे दीजिये; कोई और इस पर डिस्कशन करवा लीजिये । आप नोटिस दे दीजिये आधा घंटे का और डिस्कशन करवाये देता हूँ ।

MR. SPEAKER: I can take up any discussions. But I cannot have a debate in this fashion.

श्री राजनाथ सोनकर शास्त्री : आधे घंटे की चर्चा स्वीकार करें ।

MR. SPEAKER: I never deny it.

### Colour T.V. Sets Lying Unsold

\*47. SHRI JITENDRA PRASAD:  
SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards the news item captioned "30,000 colour TV sets lying unsold" (Hindustan Times, 16-1-1983);

(b) if so, the reasons for such a faulty planning resulting in losses worth crores of rupees to the national exchequer; and

(c) the steps taken or being taken for the disposal of these unsold TV sets with a view to make up such a heavy loss to the Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, ATOMIC ENERGY, SPACE, ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): (a) to (c). A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

### Statement

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There has been no faulty planning or loss to the exchequer.

(c) Of the 90,000 Colour TV kits imported by Electronics Trade & Technology Development Corporation (ETTDC), 89,200 kits were allotted to industry. Of these, about 10,000 kits were not lifted by the allottees by November 30, 1982, because of their own technical, commercial, financial or logistical problems. The Department of Electronics has issued directions to ETTDC on February 15, 1983 to distribute these remaining 10,000 kits to public sector, organised private sector and small scale units.

SHRI JITENDRA PRASAD: The hon. Minister has mentioned some reasons for the delay in the lifting of these kits. I would like to ask the Minister it is a fact that the slack sale of the

colour TV kits obtained by the ETTDC was due to flooding of TV sets in the country under the Open General Licence scheme and also due to the sharp drop in colour transmission after the Asiad, and whether it is a fact that the Department of Electronics had given a verbal assurance to the T.V. manufacturers in the country that, if the industry was agreeable to assemble 94,000 imported Korean and German kits in a limited time, no further import of colour T.V. would be allowed.

**SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL:** The Government thinks that there was no flooding of colour T.V. in the market. We are receiving demands from the T.V. manufacturers for the kits and that goes to show that there was no flooding as such.

**SHRI JITENDRA PRASAD:** You have not replied to the second part of the question.

**SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL:** Regarding the second part of the question, we allowed importation of colour T.V. sets in order to cater to the demands of the people. At that time there was a great demand and so, we allowed that. But that was not a sort of flooding as such.

**SHRI JITENDRA PRASAD:** What about the assurance given to the T. V. manufacturers?

**SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL:** The discussions had taken place and we had asked the manufacturers to produce colour T.Vs and sell them at a particular price. But no assurance was given to them.

**SHRI JITENDRA PRASAD:** Is it a fact that there was a considerable delay in the allotment of these kits from the ETTDC to the industry by the Department of Electronics resulting in stacking of these kits with the Corporation and is it a fact that the ETTDC has suffered a heavy loss due to the stagnation of the sale of these kits as it had to pay interest on the money so invested?

**SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL:** I have given the dates in my answer itself as to when the colour T.V. kits were distributed to the industry. The colour T.V. kits were allotted by November 30, 1982, itself. 89,200 kits were distributed at that time. 800 kits could not be distributed because some of them were damaged and some other things were there. So, the distribution or the allocation of the tubes had taken place in time.

The answer to the second part of the question is that the ETTDC has sustained no loss.

**SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER:** My question has been probably answered. Still there is one part which I would like to ask the hon. Minister. Out of the 30,000 unsold TV sets, 10,000 are lying with the Government and roughly about 20,000 are lying with different industries. Taking the average cost of each kit as Rs. 1,250/- plus the import duty paid, on those 30,000 kits lying in the form of unsold kits there would be a blockage of about Rs. 15 crores. I would like to ask the hon. Minister what action Government propose to take to recover this money.

**SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL:** There seems to be some sort of misconception to this point. What has not been distributed by the ETTDC is hardly 10,000 kits. They are also being distributed. The TV manufacturers are asking for more kits for manufacturing the colour TV sets. So if we look at it from this angle and also if we take into consideration these aspects, there is no possibility that these colour TV sets will not be sold in the market. There is no question of any money being blocked and there is no question of the ETTDC having sustained any loss. All these sets are going to be sold in the market. We do not have any information as to how many sets are remaining unsold and why—because there is no demand for the colour TV sets or because of certain other reasons also. So it would be wrong to presume that there is no demand as these are not being sold. It may be for something else.

**SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH:** In view

of the reply, I want to know whether it is a fact that many organisation and companies of our country have put forward proposals and also had discussions with the Government officials that they will be able to indigenously produce the colour TV sets and they requested the Government to cancel the order to import the sets from outside and permit them to produce the sets indigenously and whether it is a fact that the Government did not agree and if so, whether the reason was that there are some shady deals struck with some outside parties which made the Government to do that.

**SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL:** The technology for manufacturing colour TV sets is in the process of development. We did not completely develop at that time. It could not have been possible to manufacture colour TV sets required. So the importation was allowed.

**SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY:** Is it developed now.

**SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL:** Sir, there is no question of there being any shady deals.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Shri Balkrishna Wasnik—not here. Shri D. P. Yadav.

**Study for resource evaluation and integrated rural development in Monghyr District Bihar**

\*49. **SHRI D. P. YADAV:**

**SHRI R. P. YADAV:**

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a proposal for multi-disciplinary study for resource evaluation and integrated rural development in the district of Monghyr (Bihar) in the eastern region of Geological Survey of India; and

(b) if so, by what period it is expected to finalise and print the report?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI N. K. P. SALVE):** (a) and (b). There has been no proposal for a multi-disciplinary study. However, an integrated geo-scientific survey was taken

up in February, 1977 for studying the terrain characteristics, natural resources and environmental potential in Monghyr district in Bihar. Three interim reports have been prepared so far and copies sent to the State Government. The final report is under preparation and is expected to be issued to the State Government and the other Government organisations, in about 3 months time.

**SHRI D. P. YADAV:** I want to know from the hon. Minister whether there has been any report of discovery of gold by natives of the Sono area of Monghyr district and if so what steps have been taken by the Geological Survey of India for investigation and detailed prospecting.

2. So far as detailed prospecting of minerals of Monghyr district is concerned, what steps are you going to take and more particularly, with regard to investigation of kyanite?

**SHRI N. K. P. SALVE:** The first question is a golden question.

The occurrence of gold has been reported near village Karmatia, 6 km west of Sone in the Jamui Subdivision of Monghyr District of Bihar. The Geological Survey of India has decided to take up mapping of the area and the work is expected to commence shortly. Both the questions are answered. The question was whether gold deposits were found and if so, what are we going to do. As I said the work connected with the detailed mapping of the area will be taken up shortly.

So far as kyanite prospecting is concerned, the position in this.

The Geological Scientific Study has pointed out that pockety segregations of bladed kyanite have been noted in association with a Quartz Vein, extending for 10 K.Ms. between Belbhinda and Bhika. Kyanite blades measure as much as 20 CM.s. x 3 C.M. Regarding the other developmental programmes, they are not in the realm of the Geological Survey of India. It is for other agencies which will have to take them up.