

रही है और अगर नहीं है, तो सरकार इस तरह की कोई मशीनरी बनाना चाहती है या नहीं, जिससे उपभोक्ताओं को, खरीदारों को क्वालिटी के मुताबिक स्कूटर मिल सकें और जो लाखों-लाख रु० का नाजायज मुनाफा कमाया जाता है, उस को रोका जा सके।

SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO : If any report has come to the Government, or if any complaint is made to the Government, then certainly the Government will take action. So far no such complaint has come to the Government. The complaints have gone to the manufacturers and that too the percentage is only 0.07. That is the position. There is a system by which consumers can send their complaints regarding unsatisfactory performance of their new vehicles, if any, to the Directorate General of Technical Development. No such complaint has so far been made by any buyer.

श्री विजय कुमार यादव : अध्यक्ष महोदय, अभी जवाब में यह कहा गया है कि सरकार को कुछ शिकायतें मिली हैं। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि जब सरकार को इस सिलसिले में शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं तो उन पर सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की? जिन लोगों के स्कूटर खराब पाये गये हैं, उनको कम्पेनसेशन देने की सरकार क्या कोई व्यवस्था करना चाहती है?

SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO : How does the Government come in the picture? If at all, the manufacturer has to pay the compensation. They did not even bring to the notice of Government about the defects. So, where did the Government come in? The person who has purchased the scooter never complained to the Government.

Setting up of Second Atomic Power Station in Tamil Nadu

*452. **SHRI ERA MOHAN :** Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the name of the place that has been selected by the Site Engineers of the Department in Tirunelveli District of Tamil Nadu for setting up the second unit of atomic power station ; and

(b) the steps initiated to implement this decision ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, ATOMIC ENERGY, SPACE, ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL) : (a) and (b) No site has been selected so far in Tirunelveli District of Tamil Nadu for setting up an atomic power station.

SHRI ERA MOHAN : It has been mentioned in the Five Year Plan of Tamil Nadu for 1980-85 that the Site Engineers have selected Koodankulam in Tirunelveli District for locating an atomic power station. If this is not correct, why should the State Government mislead the people by giving such false assertion in a public document like the State's Five Year Plan? Will the hon. Prime Minister direct the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu to remove this portion from the Five Year Plan document ?

SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL : It will not be for me to ask the Chief Minister to make statement or not to make a statement. We expect that the statement should be in line with the facts.

SHRI ERA MOHAN : It has been specifically mentioned that Koodankulam has been selected. That is why I asked this question.

My second supplementary is : is the Prime Minister aware of the existence of Heavy Water Plant at Tuticorin in Tirunelveli District? Probably because of the proximity of Koodankulam to Tuticorin, somebody in the Department could have proposed the second atomic plant. Even otherwise, in view of the paucity of power in Tamil Nadu, will the Prime Minister consider setting up of a second atomic power plant at Koodankulam ?

SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL : A Committee has been set up. That Committee is expected to look into all these factors and to give a report. That report is considered by the Commission and then the selection is done. Well, all factors which have to be considered are considered and will be considered.

DR. A KALANIDHI : Since the Minister has said that no site has been selected for the atomic plant, I would like to know whether there is any proposal at all in the mind of the Government to set up a second atomic plant in Tamil Nadu ?

SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL : I have already answered that question. The Committee is set up. The committee is expected to examine all the sites that are proposed and give a report on the sites which can be acceptable to the Commission. After the report is examined, the decision is taken. At this stage, it would be difficult for me to say whether that will be done or not.

Copper Ore Deposits in Midnapur and Purulia

*454. **SHRI R.P. DAS :** Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether copper ore deposits have been found during survey at places of Midnapur and Purulia districts ;

(b) if so, the total reserve of the ore ; and

(c) whether commercial exploration of the metal is possible ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) & (b) A small deposit of copper ore estimated roughly at around 150,000 tonnes with 1.85% copper has been explored around Tamakhun in the Purulia district. Minor occurrences of copper mineralisation are also located at a few other places in Purulia and Midnapur districts.

(c) The current copper ore deposits in Purulia and Midnapur Districts are commercially significant.

SHRI R.P. DAS : According to the report of the Geological Survey of India and the Directorate of Mines and Minerals of West Bengal, copper, nickle and lead deposits have been found at different places of Midnapore and Purulia and these two Government agencies feel that further exploration in this regard is necessary to assess the exact quantity of reserves. But accord-

ing to the reply of the Minister, the deposits are small in quantity and as such commercially insignificant. In view of this, I would like to know from the Minister whether aeromagnetic survey or any other survey with sophisticated equipment will be put in to service to assess and determine the exact quantity as well as the quantity of the reserves ?

SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN : The earlier survey was carried out by the agencies of the Central Government, the State Governments and if the deposits appear to be promising then further exploration will certainly be undertaken.

SHRI R.P. DAS : The Management Board of the Geological Survey of India had a meeting the other day and in that meeting it was expressed that the Geological survey of India and other agencies do not have the necessary equipments. So, I would like to know whether the existing geoscientific facilities so far available in the country are not up to the required standard as a result of which mapping, drilling and exploration as well as other research work in the laboratory of the Geological Survey of India suffer and if so, what steps have so far been taken for the modernisation of equipments of Geological Survey of India ?

SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN : An aircraft filled with Geological equipments is being procured for aeromagnetic survey for better exploration.

SHRI R.P. DAS : Would the Government like to modernise the equipments ?

SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN : This is the modern equipment which we thought we are lacking and it is already under the process of being procured.

SHRI SATYASADHAN CHAKRABORTY : I would like to know from the Minister whether it is a fact that during the survey, gold has been found in some areas of West Bengal ? It has appeared in the Paper ? They should be happy if gold is found in West Bengal. They will get the share.

SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN : No gold has been found in West Bengal.