

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: My question was: whether such collaboration agreements are also being permitted under which a foreign collaborator is not under any obligation to part with his technology, particularly in turn-key jobs.

SHRI C SUBRAMANIAM: As a matter of fact the policy is for avoiding turn-key jobs now so that the association of Indian technicians, Indian scientists and technologists would be there in the building up of any project hereafter and expertise would be built up within the country the policy is to avoid turn-key jobs.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: Is it the policy to rule out such collaboration agreement in which there is no provision for the transfer of know-how?

SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: That is right.

Worsening of Unemployment Situation at the end of Fifth Plan

*129. **SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPAN:** Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the unemployment situation would further worsen at the end of the Fifth Plan if the rate of economic growth is only 5.5 per cent during the fifth plan period;

(b) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to this aspect; and

(c) if so, their reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

Past experience has shown that growth rate does not bear a direct

relationship to growth of employment. The approach to the Fifth Five Year Plan envisages a growth rate of 5.5 per cent taking into account various factors including financial and physical resources. Government are fully conscious of the need to tackle the unemployment problem through accelerated growth and specially designed programmes which will form an integral part of the Fifth Plan for generating a substantial increase in employment opportunities. During the Fourth Plan period itself a number of special programmes for employment have been introduced. The detailed Draft Fifth Plan now being worked out seeks to ensure a significant impact on the problem of unemployment of educated and uneducated both in urban and rural areas by the end of the Fifth Plan.

SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPAN: In the statement, the hon. Ministers says that past experience has shown that growth rate does not bear a direct relationship to growth of employment. But the approach paper is so much concerned about growth of population in relation to employment. The fact of the matter is that unemployment has increased from 3.5 million in 1951 to nearly thirty million in 1971. My question was very simple; yet it had been evaded. I asked: whether the unemployment situation would further worsen at the end of the Fifth Plan if the rate of economic growth is only 5.5 per cent during the Fifth Plan period. I would like him to answer positively.

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI D. P. DHAR): It is true, and they have stated that, that the experience of the past plans had shown us that the rate of growth is not directly, in all respects linked with the expansion of employment opportunities. Certainly the rate of growth is a very important factor but that is not the sole factor. That is what we have attempted or endeavoured to state in our reply to the question. The hon. Member has made a refer-

ence to the anxiety of the Planning Commission in the approach paper regarding the increase in population as well as the increase in the rate of unemployed; we have shared our anxiety with the country at large. . (Interruptions). We have expressed great concern at the rate of growth of unemployment and therefore we have suggested measures in broad outlines, because we can do only in broad outline in the approach paper as to how we hope to deal with this problem.

SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPAN: Even after the explanation given by the Minister, I am sorry to say the point while I raised has been subtly evaded. When Government say that they have so many schemes to provide employment like 5 lakh jobs for the educated unemployed during the fifth plan period, the reality is something else. 8 lakh graduates will come out annually during the fifth plan period. I would like to know from Government whether even if the Government's efforts succeed, the unemployment situation will worsen further or will it improve at the end of the fifth plan?

SHRI D. P. DHAR: I am sorry if I have not been clear in my earlier answer. The unemployment problem at the end of the fifth plan will have been brought under substantial control and would have been reduced to limits which are manageable.

SHRI K. NARAYANA RAO: May I know whether the rate of growth in unemployment is in any way correlated to the rate of growth of graduates and educated people?

MR. SPEAKER: In his previous reply, he has already explained it.

SHRI VASANT SATHE: In view of the fact that giving productive employment to a larger number of people will itself generate growth in the country, may I know what is the plan for giving more dispersed

productive employment to the people, particularly in the rural areas?

SHRI D. P. DHAR: Apart from the normal natural employment that will be generated as a result of the implementation of such a big plan as the fifth plan as we envisage, there are special programmes of employment, particularly in the rural areas. Those special programmes will be taken up with care and speed and executed with efficiency.

SHRI VASANT SATHE: I was referring to productive employment.

SHRI D. P. DHAR: When I talk of employment, I talk of productive employment.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: Will the Minister agree or not agree with the fact that during the last 10 years in the private sector whatever little growth has taken place, it has not at all been reflected in creating job opportunities and on the contrary it has reduced job opportunities? Did they adopt labour-saving devices with Government's concurrence?

SHRI D. P. DHAR: It is my misfortune to take a position that I would not like to have taken to disagree with the statement that the hon. member has made. (Interruptions).

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: He has made a wrong statement. I will produce documents to prove what I have said.

MR. SPEAKER: He has not made any statement.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: He has taken the House for a ride.

MR. SPEAKER: From the attitude he taking up, you should be extra cautious. (Interruptions).

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE: Is he aware that when Mr. Subramaniam was Planning Minister he made a solemn promise on the floor of this

House that all qualified engineers will be provided with jobs within two years—I am speaking subject to correction. I would like to know whether that promise stands and if so, the number of engineers who are still unemployed and the number of engineers who are going to be provided with employment by the end of the fourth plan.

SHRI D. P. DHAR: I am aware of the statement of my distinguished predecessor. I would like to tell the hon. member that yet another year has to pass.

MR. SPEAKER: He said "within the next two years." You can always say "within the next two years."

SHRI PILOO MODY: It is difficult to match the wit of the hon. Minister. I would like to ask a very specific question requiring a three-word reply. I am rephrasing Mr. Chandrappan's original question. At the end of the fourth plan there will be 30 million unemployed or less than 30 million unemployed.

SHRI D. P. DHAR: As the hon. member has put me under an obligation to give a reply in three words, my reply is, "I need notice."

श्री बी० पी० मोय्य : अद्यक्ष महोदय, बेकारी की भयंकर समस्या है जिस ने मंत्री और सदन सभी चिन्तित हैं, मैं आप के द्वारा मंत्री महोदय से यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि कितने इंजीनियर आज के दिन बेकार हैं और एक वर्ष के बाद उन में कितने और जुड़ जायेंगे और उन्होंने जो अभी यह सदन में कहा कि अभी एक वर्ष और बचाया है, पांच लाख के लिए उन का कथन है कि पांच लाख बेकारों को वह नौकरी देंगे, इस में कितने इंजीनियर्स को आप नौकरी देने वाले हैं, इस का व्यौरा देने के कृपा करें ?

SHRI MOHAN DHARIA: In 1971, the number of unemployed engineers was 18050; in 1972 the number was

18,816. It is true the number has increased by about 800 but the House will be happy to know that about 10,000 more engineers who would have been added to the unemployed number, have already been employed in various schemes we have been taking up during the year. As assured by Mr. Subramaniam, by the end of the fourth plan it will be possible for us to absorb the engineers and highly qualified technicians in some jobs or in self-generating employment.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Micro-Wave Stations in Next two years

*126. **SHRI S. N. MISHRA:** Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) how many Micro-wave stations are planned to be set up within the next two years;

(b) what will be the percentage of the imported components for such Micro-wave set up; and

(c) what is the likely amount of foreign exchange involved in such imports?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAHUGUNA):

(a) About forty stations are Planned to be linked on microwave transmission system within the next two years.

(b) The value of directly imported equipment is about 18 per cent of the total cost of the projects.

(c) Foreign exchange of the value of about Rs. 9.00 crores will be involved for procuring the directly imported equipment.

राज्यों को केन्द्रीय सहायता से बन्धी फार्मूले के पुनरीक्षण के बारे में राज्यों का अनुरोध

*128. **श्री धनराह प्रधान :** क्या योजना मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या कुछ राज्य सरकारों ने केन्द्रीय सरकार से अपने सहायता फार्मूले को पुनरीक्षित करने का अनुरोध किया है ; और