

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps Government have taken to remove it?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) :

(a) Yes, Sir for certain types and brands.

(b) The indigenous production is not adequate to meet fully the increasing demand for this drug.

(c) Arrangements have been made for the import of plain insulin crystals through the State Trading Corporation. Both Insulin Lente and Isophane have been included in the list of essential drugs in the Import Trade Control Policy for 1971-72 so that these could be imported by Established Importers in ampoules or vialled form apart from the import of the bulk by the actual users. Firms manufacturing formulations of Insulin are also being assisted to import insulin particularly, the types which are in short supply.

श्री हरी सिंह : श्री मन्त्री महोदय ने बताया कि इन्सुलिन की कमी भारत के अन्दर है तो मैं पूछना चाहता हूँ कि उस कमी को पूरा करने के लिए क्या कदम बह उठाने जा रहे हैं। जिससे कमी जल्दी से जल्दी पूरी हो सके ?

पेंडोलियम और रसायन मन्त्री (श्री पी० सी० सेठी) : अध्यक्ष महोदय, इन्सुलिन की जो कमी है वह जो क्षमता स्थापित की गई है। हजार मेघायूनित की वह पूरी नहीं होने के कारण हो रही है। इस साल 317 मेघायूनित उसका प्रोडक्शन हुआ है। इसलिए उसको इम्पोर्ट करके कमी को पूरा करने की कोशिश कर रहे हैं। बाकी ग्राहकों के लिए कोशिश है कि जिसनी उत्पादन की क्षमता देश में स्थापित है वह सब पूरी हो जाये।

Stock at Nirodh Factory

*1374. **SHRI GANGA REDDY :** Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY Planning be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are large stocks

plied up at the Nirodh factory Hindustan Latex Limited at Trivandrum; and

(b) if so, the action taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA) : (a) The stock of Nirodh with the factory at Trivandrum is about 17 million pieces which is the normal inventory level for a factory of this size. The factory is at present fully occupied in executing orders already placed on it.

(b) Does not arise.

SHRI GANGA REDDY : May I know whether it is a fact, as reported in the newspapers that Government want to increase the production when there is a huge stock of Nirodh there?

SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA : No, Sir. Having taken the demand into account and the projected demand in view, the order that has been placed on the factory is not excessive.

SHRI GANGA REDDY : Is it a fact that the factory is situated at Trivandrum but its head office is in Delhi and the general manager is a retired officer who is physically handicapped and unfit, and this piling up of huge stocks is due to mismanagement?

SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA : The reported personal handicap of the manager is something which has not been reported to us. However, it will be looked into whether it has any bearing upon the supply of the pieces of Nirodh.

श्री हुसैन बख्श कश्मीर : मैं आपके माध्यम से मन्त्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ कि इतना बड़ा श्री स्टॉक निरोध का हुआ है इसका एक कारण क्या यह भी है कि इसे ठीक प्रकार से सप्लाय नहीं किया जाता और कुछ ऐसा अल्प संख्यक वर्ग भी इस देश के अन्दर है जो इसका उपयोग बिल्कुल नहीं करना चाहता? आप के जो लोकल वर्क्स हैं वह ठीक प्रकार से इस का प्रचार करने में सफल नहीं होती हैं इसलिए यह निरोध का स्टाक

इतना हुआ है ? और यह स्टॉक नहीं हो, जल्दी समाप्त हो इसके लिए आप क्या करने जा रहे हैं ?

SHRI D. P. CHATTOPADHYAYA : I have already said that the stock is not piling up. The stock is absolutely necessary in view of the pattern of demand and the pattern of the supply. So far as the use of Nirodh by a particular section of the community in the country is concerned, it has been already reported, and I would like to report it to the House, that the figures available with Government do not indicate that it is being utilised by a particular community and not being utilised by another community. This discriminatory and uneven consumption of Nirodh is reported but not true.

श्री हुकम चन्द कल्याण : आप के सोशल वर्कर ठीक प्रकार से प्रचार और प्रसार करने में सफल नहीं होते, इस कारण प्रचार में कमी होती है। इसका उत्तर नहीं दिया।

SHRI S. B. GIRI : We know that in this country there are some communities which do not adopt family planning; whereas other communities have been adopting family planning. We also know that there is legislation in this country under which a person belonging to a particular community, is allowed to marry more than two wives and up to four wives. May I know whether the Government is considering to bring forward a legislation to remove this discrimination in the present law for effective implementation of family planning by all the communities ?

MR. SPEAKER : This question is completely off the main question the main question is whether there is some accumulation of stocks at the factory. But now the hon. Member has gone on to a debate on the merits of family planning. I am sorry I have to pass on to the next question.

SHRI M. RAM GOPAL REDDY : What the hon. member means to ask is that since some communities are not using Nirodh, will Government introduce some compulsion to use it ?

MR. SPEAKER : No, no. I do not allow the question.

Report of the Study made by World Bank Mission on East Bengal Situation

*1379. **SHRI C. CHITTIBABU :** Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the news report appearing in the *Times of India* dated the 13th July, 1971 regarding the field study made by the World Bank Mission headed by Mr. Peter Cargill during its fact-finding tour of East Bengal ;

(b) whether a copy of the report has been obtained by India ; and

(c) if so, whether the report will be laid on the Table ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A copy of the report has been given on a confidential basis by the Bank to all Executive Directors including that for India.

(c) In view of the answer (b) above, the question does not arise.

SHRI C. CHITTIBABU : Even though the report is stated to be a confidential document, since India has an Executive Director in the Bank, could we know the broad features of the report, whether our stand is appreciated or not in it ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SWARAN SINGH) : The document has been circulated as a confidential document. We know what are the contents of it, but we would feel embarrassed if we are asked to disclose its contents.

SHRI C. CHITTIBABU : Is our stand appreciated or not in the document ?

SHRI SWARAN SINGH : I do not think the document has anything to do with our stand as such.