

DR. RANEN SEN : He does not know where is Calcutta.

SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : In Calcutta, not a single closed factory has been reopened by this Corporation.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU : I must say that although the Minister has been here since six or eight months, his performance till date has been far from satisfactory. May I ask if he knows that the West Bengal Government has published a book entitled *Labour 1970*? That says that labour-management disputes accounted for 20 per cent of the closures. Has he read that, and if so, what is his reaction?

MR. SPEAKER : I cannot allow it; he must be relevant.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU : This is about closure. Will the hon. Minister kindly tell us whether lack of supply of raw materials particularly steel, working capital and power are the reasons for the closure of many factories, and if so, what steps have the Central Government taken to go to the aid of these closed industrial units?

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : I have already said that shortage of raw materials is one of the reasons. It is there already in the list of causes. Labour management relation is not the only cause. It is one of the causes, and I am glad that the hon. Member himself put it as 20 per cent. There is, one-fourth i. e., one of the four causes, I have given. He attributes one-fifth to labour relations.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU : That shows your character.

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : That shows my character; true. (*Interruption*).

MR. SPEAKER : No such remarks please. (*Interruption*) Kindly sit down. The hon. Member is in a position to revise any time whatever he says.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : He has not replied to my question, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER : He has replied.

श्री हुकम चन्द कल्लवाय : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं आपके माध्यम से मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूँ कि यह जो कलकत्ते में उद्योग बंद हुए हैं, यह एक विशेष परिस्थिति के अन्दर बन्द हुए हैं, मुख्यतः घेराव और तोड़फोड़ के कारण ही अधिकतर उद्योग बंद हुए हैं। तो यह जो उद्योग चालू किये जा रहे हैं, उनमें ऐसी चीजें न हों, उसके लिए सरकार ने क्या कोई व्यवस्था की है, यदि हाँ, तो वह क्या है?

दूसरे, जो उद्योग यहाँ से दिल्ली बम्बई आदि अन्य स्थानों में चले गये हैं, उन्हें पुनः वापिस कलकत्ते भेजा जाय, इसके लिये सरकार की ओर से क्या प्रयास किया जा रहा है?

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : I may inform the hon. Member and the House that in some of the factories which we have taken over there, we are having the same experience including the Braithwaite where the manager has been assaulted only the other day.

SHRI FATEH SINGH RAO GAEKWAD : Sir, have you acceded to my request for an half-hour discussion on this?

MR. SPEAKER : Not now. After I allow all the questions; because that was not accepted, so I allowed further questions.

Closed Sick Mills in States

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*220. **SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN :**
SHRI ROBIN KAKOTI :

Will the Minister of **INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state :

(a) the number of sick mills in the country that have been closed by their owners, State-wise; and

(b) the number of mills out of them which are being controlled by the Union Government?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY) : (a) and (b). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) Presumably, the Member refers to cotton textile mills. According to the information furnished by the Ministry of Foreign Trade, the number of cotton textile mills closed as at the end of September, 1971 is as follows :

Name of the State	No. of Cotton Textile Mills closed down as at the end of September, 1971.
1. Andhra Pradesh	5
2. Assam	1
3. Bihar	1
4. Gujarat	7
5. Kerala	1
6. Maharashtra	3
7. Mysore	5
8. Punjab	1
9. Rajasthan	2
10. Tamil Nadu	14
11. Uttar Pradesh	3
12. West Bengal	15
13. Pondicherry	1
Total	59

(b) The number of cotton textile mills taken over by the Central Government, after investigation under the Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, is 34.

SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: In the statement, it has been given that 59 textile mills have been closed, but the statement does not show, statewise, which of the mills have been taken over. Will the Minister be pleased to state that ?

MR. SPEAKER: Sick mills, Statewise. Have you got it ?

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY: Azamshahi Mills in Warangal, Andhra Pradesh; Ajodhya Textile Mills, Delhi; New Mallicans Spinning and Weaving Mills, Ltd., Ahmedabad, Gujarat; The Ahmedabad New Textile Mills, Gujarat; Homibhai Manufacturing Co., Ltd.,

Ahmedabad; Mahalakshmi Mills, Ltd., Bhavnagar; Rajkot Spinning and Weaving Mills, Rajkot. *(Interruption)* If I do not read, you say, "I am not prepared with the answer," If I read, you are impatient. Have patience now, Then, Keshav Mills, Ltd.; Jehangir Mills, Ahmedabad; Jupiter Spinning and Weaving Mills and Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Ahmedabad—these are in Gujarat. Then, in Maharashtra—

MR. SPEAKER: You can lay it on the Table of the House.

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY: Yes, Sir. Thank you.

SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Instead of reading the whole list, you would better give the number of sick mills, Statewise. That will do.

MR. SPEAKER: What did you enquire ? Part (b) of the question asks for "the number of mills out of them which are being controlled by the Union Government." *(Interruption)* He only wanted the number now; not the names.

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY: Maharashtra, 8; Madhya Pradesh, 5; Mysore, 2; Pondicherry, 1; Rajasthan, 1; Tamil Nadu, 5; Uttar Pradesh 2; Andhra Pradesh 1. Delhi administration—1; Gujarat—8.

SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: In the statement, in Gujarat cotton mills reopened are 8. Is it a fact? *(Interruptions)*. I am asking whether it is a fact that one more sick mill has been opened. In the statement it is shown as 7, whereas he said it was 8.

My second question is this. In view of the growing unemployment problem, will the Government assure the House that the other sick mills would be taken over by the Government immediately ?

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY: I cannot assure that; we shall look into each case and then decide.

SHRIMATI JYOTSNA GHANDA: I find from the statement that the only cotton mill in Assam has been closed. What are the reasons for closing down this mill, which is the only one cotton mill in Assam, and have the Government taken any measures to reopen it ?

SHRI MOENUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : I understand that the Chief Minister of Assam during his recent visit took it up with the Minister of Foreign Trade and as and when this matter comes to us, we shall look into it.

श्री शंकर बयाल सिंह : हमारे सामने जो स्टेटमेंट है, उसमें दिया गया है, कि 59 मिलें बन्द थीं जिनमें से 34 चलाई गई हैं। बिहार में गया में भी एक काटन मिल है। 50 लाख आबादी वाले इस जिले में केवल एक मिल है जिसमें दस हजार लोग काम करते थे, और वह बन्द पड़ी है। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या निकट भविष्य में सरकार उस को चालू करने का विचार रखती है ?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : वह तो एक जनरल सवाल था। इसमें नम्बर पूछा गया था। यह विशेष सवाल नहीं था, स्पेसिफिक सवाल नहीं है।

श्री शंकर बयाल सिंह : मंत्री महोदय उत्तर देने को तैयार हैं। अगर आप उनको उत्तर देने का इशारा कर दें तो बड़ा अच्छा होगा।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : मैं आपकी तरफ इशारा करना ज्यादा जरूरी समझता हूँ।

SHRI R. S. PANDEY : There are two aspects to this problem. One is unemployment ; the other is scarcity of cloth. What special efforts are contemplated by the Government to solve the problems : scarcity of cloth and unemployment of people ?

MR. SPEAKER : This was about the last question.

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : The sick mills that are taken over are managed by the Ministry of Foreign Trade. If a separate question is put to them, they will be able to give details about every scheme. This Ministry is concerned only with authorising investigation under the Industries Development and Regulation Act. I can only answer this question generally : how many mills have closed and how many have been taken over by the Government.

SHRI SOMCHAND SOLANKI : The hon. Minister mentioned about the sick mills in Gujarat. May I know whether the Prabha Cotton Mills of Viramgaon and the Durga Cotton Mills of Khadi in Gujarat are considered sick mills or not ? What is the latest position of these mills ?

MR. SPEAKER : This question does not arise. There may be hundreds of sick mills. If you ask how many patients there are in the hospital, he can reply, but if you ask about the health and diagnosis of each and every individual, you will have to give the names of the persons.

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : I could not follow the question.

MR. SPEAKER : He should give specific notice.

श्री बी० पी० मौर्य : हर वक्त इस तरह की शिकायतें आती रहती हैं कि फलानी मिल बीमार हो गई, ठीक नहीं चल रही है, या बन्द हो गई, चाहे घेराव के कारण हो चाहे उद्योगपतियों की साजिश के कारण हो। चाहे कच्चे माल की सप्लाई की कमी के कारण हो। मैं सरकार से नीति सम्बन्धी एक प्रश्न करना चाहूंगा। क्या वह यहां पर यह विश्वास दिलायेगी कि कोई भी मिल एक विशेष अवधि के बाद बन्द नहीं रहेगी, क्योंकि इससे बेकारी बढ़ती है, तरह तरह की सामाजिक समस्याएँ पैदा होती हैं और इस वक्त देश पर संकट भी है ?

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : As a matter of policy it is impossible to commit that every mill can be taken over. Some of the mills are so out-dated and outmoded.

SHRI B. P. MAURYA : That is my question.

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आप जवाब देने कीजिये। मुझे आपसे यह मिला है कि आप जवाब नहीं देने देते।

श्री बी० पी० मौर्य : मुझको आपसे मिला है। या तो आप प्रश्न करने मत कीजिये और

अगर प्रश्न करने देते हैं तो उसका ठीक जवाब भी आने दीजिये। जो प्रश्न किया जाता है, आप उसका उत्तर आने ही नहीं देते।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आप बैठेंगे या नहीं ? आप मंत्री महोदय को जवाब नहीं देने देते हैं, दरम्यान में बोलते हैं।

श्री बी० पी० शर्मा : आपको मुझसे गिला है और मुझको आपसे गिला है।

MR. SPEAKER : I am not going to tolerate it. Please sit down. Every day this is going on from you.

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : It cannot be said as a policy decision that every mill be taken over by the Government or that no mill is going to be allowed to be closed down because there is a provision for investigation. It will have to be seen whether the mill is viable, whether it has outlived its utility or not, whether it can be run as a feasible proposition. That is why each case is investigated. Wherever it is found that it is a feasible proposition, even if it costs the exchequer, such mills are taken over.

A. R. C. Report on Centre-State Relations

*221. **SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH :** Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have since taken any decision on the A. R. C. Report on Centre-State relations ; and

(b) if so, what are the decisions taken by Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) and (b). The report is under the consideration of the Government.

SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH : I understand that this Report was submitted on 19th June, 1969. It is more than two years now. May I know how much time it will take for Government to come to any decision on this Report ?

SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA : It is true that the Report was submitted by the ARC in June, 1969, but the Report, by its very nature, is a very complicated one, and consultations with the State Governments are being held. We have sent the Report to the State Governments for their comments, but none of them has yet made any comment. When their comments are received, it is proposed to call a conference of the Chief Ministers to consider the Report as a whole, and then some ideas will be formulated.

SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH : May I know when the Report was sent to the State Governments for their comments ?

SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA : The Report was sent in August, 1971 and they were asked to reply by October, 1971. But up to this day they have not sent any replies.

SHRI DINESH CHANDER GOSWAMI : May I know whether Government has taken note of the Rajamannar Committee report on Centre-State relations and what is the Government's reaction thereto ? In considering the report of the ARC, may I know whether the Government is taking a note of the other considerations that have been mentioned in the Rajamannar Committee report ?

SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA : That committee was appointed by the Tamil Nadu Government and it is primarily for them to formulate their view-point on that. When the Tamil Nadu Government gives its reactions and comments on the ARC report, they can as well take note of the Rajamannar Committee report. But what we propose to do is to take note of only the views of the Tamil Nadu Government.

Some Hon. Members rise—

अध्यक्ष महोदय : बहुत ही कम सवाल हो पाते हैं। ऐसा लगता है कि हमें प्रोजेक्टर को रिवाइज करना पड़ेगा। Next question.

Controversy between I. A. S. Officers and Confederation of Central Government Officers and Central Information Service Association

* 222. **SHRI H. M. PATEL :** Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether a controversy has come up