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In view of the fact that there is a large number of applicants waiting, a new scheme was introduced that people who paid Rs. 2500 would be supplied with telephones immediately, but we find that there are very large number of applicants who are still waiting. May I know whether the Department will supply telephones at least to those we have paid Rs 2500 ?

SHRI H N. BAHUGUNA Firstly, the Rs 2500 scheme did not apply in the blanket manner in which the hon Member says it did. We only give a certain percentage to these people. Otherwise the poorer section of people and institutions would suffer. Secondly, even if they paid the amount, we would not be in position to supply to all of them.

भारतीय उप-महाद्वीप का मानचित्र

*964. **डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पाण्डेय** : क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय द्वारा जारी किये गये भारतीय उप-महाद्वीप के मानचित्र में नये राज्य बंगला देश को स्थान नहीं दिया गया है, और

(ख) यदि हा, तो इसके क्या कारण है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय में उप-मंत्री (श्री धर्मवीर सिंह) . (क) "एलेक्ट्रिक ट्रेक्शन आन इंडियन रेलवेज" नामक एक फीचर लेख को स्पष्ट करने के लिए समाचार-पत्रों को भारत में रेलवे विद्युतीकरण का एक मानचित्र हाल ही में जारी किया था। मानचित्र में "बंगला देश" के स्थान पर "पाकिस्तान" शब्द था। इस गलती का मानचित्र सहित लेख के छपने से पहले पता लग गया था और समाचार-पत्रों को यह सलाह दे दी गई थी कि इसको रह हूमा समझा जाए।

(ख) गलती चूक के कारण हुई और इसके लिए खेद है।

डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पाण्डेय : यह प्रसन्नता की बात है कि मंत्री महोदय ने उसके लिये खेद प्रकट किया है। लेकिन मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि बंगला देश के उदय के काफी समय पश्चात् मानचित्र के प्रकाशन में इस प्रकार की त्रुटि होना यह बहुत बड़ी घटना है, तो आपने इस घटना के लिये किसी व्यक्ति पर उत्तरदायित्व, रेस्पॉसिबिलिटी फिक्स की है ? और यदि हा, तो वह व्यक्ति कौन है ? क्या आप इस बात के लिये आश्वस्त करेंगे कि भविष्य में इस प्रकार की त्रुटि न होने पायेगी ?

श्री धर्मवीर सिंह : मैं माननीय सदस्य से कहना चाहता हूँ कि भविष्य में इस तरह की त्रुटि न हो इसके लिए सरकार ने आदेश जारी कर दिया है, और जिनसे यह भूल हुई है उनको यह आदेश दिया गया है कि आगे से इस तरह की भूल न करे।

डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पाण्डेय : जिनके ऊपर उत्तरदायित्व निर्धारित किया है वह कौन व्यक्ति है ?

श्री धर्मवीर सिंह : यह व्यक्ति से संबंधित नहीं है। यह भूल हो गयी है उसका खेद हमने प्रकट किया है।

Development of Agro Industries

*965 **SHRI R S PANDEY** Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

(a) whether the development of agro-industries has been very slow during the last few years and if so, the reasons therefor,

(b) whether any steps are being taken to develop the agro-industries on modern lines, and

(c) if so, the incentives provided to the entrepreneurs undertaking such industries ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWER PRASAD):

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) to (c) The term 'Agro-Industries' covers a wide range of industries based on agricultural and food produce such as textiles, sugar, rice milling, oil milling hand-looms, fruit processing, distillery, agricultural machinery (such as tractors power tillers and pumping sets) insecticides, dairy poultry, fishery and so on. The industries could be in the small, medium or large scale. The development of agro industries has been accorded priority in the Fourth Plan and many of the industries listed above have registered good progress and it cannot be said that the development of agro-industries has been slow in the last few years.

The development of agro-industries is mainly the responsibility of the State Governments. Nearly all the States have set up Agro-Industries Development Corporations whose function is to provide technical guidance for the development of agro-industries on the modern lines.

No special incentives have been provided for the setting up of such industries. However, if such industries are set up in the backward areas, which qualify for certain concessions, the entrepreneurs can take advantage of these concessions. Similarly if the industry is set up in the small scale sector, the entrepreneur can take advantage of all the facilities available to that sector.

SHRI R S PANDFY Agro-industries cover a wide range of industries based on agriculture. Agro-industries have been accorded priority in the Fourth Plan. Many of these industries have also been listed. What incentive has been given by Central Government to States to step up the production of tillers and pump sets to meet the requirements of farmers?

SHRI SIDDHESHWER PRASAD It has been made very clear in the main answer that so far as agro industries are concerned, no special incentive has been given. But if these industries are set up in backward areas, certain concessions facilities will be made available to them.

Similarly, if such industries are set up in the small scale sector, the entrepreneurs can take advantage of all the facilities available to that sector.

SHRI R. S PANDFY The concept of establishing agro-industries in all States by giving incentives is to meet at least the basic needs of the farmers, particularly in regard to tractors. Under this scheme, are we in a position to supply tractors to the farmers?

SHRI SIDDHESHWER PRASAD It has been made very clear many times in the House that indigenously—made tractors are in short supply. Therefore we are importing tractors from different countries to meet the demand of the farmers.

SHRI P V G RAJU Is there a proposal to build modern silos for preserving for foodstuffs at district level and to build cold storage facilities in the country?

SHRI SIDDHESHWER PRASAD Silos and cold storage come under the Ministry of Agriculture and I do not have the exact information.

SHRI K SURYANARAYANA Whenever we raise the point about agro-industries, they simply say that it is a matter without the agricultural department in the state. So far as the States are concerned, the agro-industries development corporation are also under the control of the Agricultural department. Here it is under the Ministry of Industries.

MR SPEAKER What is your question?

SHRI K SURYANARAYANA It is also stated that development of agro-industries is mainly the responsibility of the State Government. In these days every farmer depends upon the State Government for assistance. The agro industries corporation has no funds.

MR SPEAKER May I know what is your question?

SHRI K SURYANARAYANA : I want

to know whether any assistance for starting agro-industries is given ? Would they provide special funds for Agro-Industries which are under the control of the State agricultural departments ?

SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD
The hon Member is not correct. During the Fourth Plan the outlay for Agro Industries was Rs 28 crores. Because the Agro-industries Corporations in different States were not able to spend this amount, the Planning Commission had to review the position and bring down the outlay.

SHRI K SURYANARAYANA My main question is

MR SPEAKER If you ask a brief and precise question, it is easy to understand. One is lost in such a long question.

SHRI K SURYANARAYANA The agro-industries corporations have no finances. Will they ask the State Governments to see how best to utilise assistance given from the Centre ?

SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD
From time to time we have been trying to expedite matters. The Development Commissioner, small scale industries organisation has prepared 75 schemes and we are circulating them to agro-industries corporation for further action.

श्री शशि भूषण : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ जैसे सरकार की नीति बन गयी है कि छोटी कारो पब्लिक सेक्टर में नहीं बनेगी तथा प्रायरेण्टी सेक्टर से भी नहीं रहेंगी, उसी तरह क्या छोटे ट्रेक्टर भी पब्लिक सेक्टर में जल्दी नहीं बनने वाले हैं, या उसके लिये भी वही कहेंगे कि वह पब्लिक सेक्टर में नहीं बन सकेंगे ?

श्री सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद : जहाँ तक ट्रेक्टर का सवाल है मेरा ख्याल है माननीय सदस्य को भाझूम होगा कि एच० एम० टी० ने ट्रेक्टर बनाने का एक कारखाना स्थापित किया है। अभी उसमें असेम्बलेज का काम शुरू किया है। बाद में बनेंगे ट्रेक्टर।

श्री शशि भूषण : कब से बनेंगे ?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : छोड़िये बन जायेंगे।

Shortage of Raw Materials in Industries in Bihar

*966 **SHRI SUKHDEO PRASAD VERMA** Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

(a) whether the Central Government are aware that many industries in Bihar are facing closure because of short supply of raw materials,

(b) whether some States, like Assam and Madhya Pradesh have banned the movement of raw materials resulting in acute shortage in Bihar, and

(c) if so, the reaction of Central Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD)

(a) There is a general shortage of steel and certain other industrial raw materials which has affected industrial production throughout the country.

(b) No, Sir

(c) Does not arise

श्री सुखदेव प्रसाद वर्मा : मैं मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ कि बिहार एक तो औद्योगिक क्षेत्र में पिछड़ा हुआ है ही, तो कितने उद्योग ऐसे हैं जो कच्चा माल न मिलने के कारण प्रायः बन्द हो गये हैं ? और बिहार में कितने उद्योग चल रहे हैं जिनको सामान की कमी के कारण खतरा पैदा हो गया है ?

दूसरे में यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या सरकार को इस बात का पता है कि इस्पात और अन्य साधनों के अलावा छोटे उद्योगों को नान-कोकिंग कोल का दाम बढ़ जाने के कारण तथा बंगनो की कमी के कारण सामान नहीं पहुँच पाता है जिसके चलते हुए वह कारखाने खतरे में पड़े हुए हैं। तो मैं सरकार से जानना