श्वी उसा शंकर दीक्षित : श्रीमन, मा नीय सदस्य ने परिस्थिति के सम्बन्ध में जो बताया गया उस पर मेरे विचार स क्रग करके ध्यान नहीं दिया । ग्रभी दिसम्बर के महीने तक वहां इस प्रकार की दर्धटनायें जो होती रहती थीं. वह कम होती जा रही हैं---9, 8, 7, 6, 5 या 4. इसको ग्रापने देखा होगा। जनवरी में भी नहीं हुई, केवल फरवरी में हुई। तो हमको म्राज की परिस्थिति में इस प्रकार का म्रनमान निकालने का ग्रीचित्य नहीं है कि परिस्थिति अप और खराब हो रही है या बदलर हो रही है। ऐसी स्थिति नहीं है। इसलिए नयी सरकार को कुछ ग्रधिक समय मिले. वह शान्ति स्थापना में ग्रपना योगदान दे उसके बाद ही कोई प्रश्न हो तो वह उठ सकता है। इधर इस प्रकार को कोई सूचना हमारे पास नहीं है कि यहां से कोई गया हो ग्रोर वहां जाकर ग्रशान्ति के कारण पैदा किये हों।

भी भोगेमा झाः वहां पर हालत मुधरी ? यह बात तो ठीक है लेकिन सवाल यह था क्या गैर-कानूनी सुदखारों ग्रीर चोरप्राजारों ग्रसन्तोष का एक कारण है ग्रीर चर्च का एक हिस्सा ग्रभी भी उनको संरक्षण देता है?

श्वी उमा शंकर दीकितः सूदखोरी के लिए माननं य सदस्य प्रलग से प्रस्न करें कि कौन व ग़ं कितनो सुदखोरी करता है तो उसका पता लगा कर बता सकते हैं। इस परिस्थति के जितने मा कारण हैं उन सभी को देखते हुए ग्रब पहले से परिस्थिति ग्रच्छी है, यह मैं कह सकता हं।

भी भोगेन्द्र झाः चर्चके जरिए से कुछ बिदेशी काम कर रहे हैं ग्रौर लोगों को प्रभावित कर रहे हैं।

भी उसा शंकर बीक्षित : इधर कोई नवीन धटना नहीं हुई है ।

Groups to study possibilities of substituting oil by indigenous sources of energy

*206. SHRI D. D. DESAI: Will the Minister of PLANNIN() be pleased to state: (a) whether his Ministry has set up a series of groups to study possibilities of substituting oil by the indigenous sources of energy;

(b) if so, the tasks assigned to different groups; and

(c) whether any group has been asked to indentify projects which can change fuel base from oil?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) to (c). The Planning Commission have constituted a number of working Groups to make detailed studies on the possibilities of substitution of all by alternate domestic sources of energy. The Working Groups will make recommendations on the extent to which such substitution is feasible and the measures required for this purpose. To the extent possible, they are also expected to identify specific projects amenable to such charge-over.

SHRI D. D. DESAI: There are some other indigenous sources of energy besides the coal, which has been sulfering from certain inhibitions of production and transport. Has the Ministry considered about breeder reactors based on Uranium 233, Plutonium and Thorium?

SHRI MOHAN DHARIA: This is one of the aspects which is being considered by one of the Working Groups.

SHRI D. D. DESAI: Has the Ministry considered saving or increasing energy by substituting oil by hydro power, particalarly from the large quantities of water which flow waste now? For example, the Narmada Nawagon dam has alone a potential of gaving two million tonnes of crude oil annually.

SHRI MOHAN DHARIA: We are considering this matter, including the generation of power from Narmada.

SHRI R. S. PANDEY: In order to make available indigenous energy, may 1

know whether you have given any instruction to the team to find out the coal potential and the desirability of having pithead thermal plants? In Madhya Pradesh, for instance, coal is available in plenty. If you have pithead thermal plants it can solve your problem, so far as energy is concerned.

SHRI MOHAN DHARIA: This is also taken into consideration and some projects are already under contemplation in the Fifth Plan.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: The probable sources of new energy are hydel power and atomic energy. There are two new sources, namely, geo-thermal energy and solar energy. But they are still in the nascent stage of development and I do not want to stress them too much.

I want to know from the Government, in view of the fact that coal reserve is required for fertiliser production and also in large amounts for that reason, and the eastern region around Calcutta being a very developed industrial areathe coal has to be preserved for other purposes also-whether the Government will consider the proposal made by the Government of West Bengal that an atomic power project should be set up in the eastern region, preferably at Haldia. I would like to know whether the Government has received that proposal and, if not, whether the Government itself will consider the desirability of setting up an atomic power project in the eastern region, preferably at Haldia.

MR. SPEAKER: The hon. Member is asking a specific question. This is a very general question.

SHRI SAMAR GUHA: The Minister is ready to answer.

MR. SPEAKER: The Ministers are ready, the Members are ready. But

I have to go by the relevancy of the question. They are always ready to oblige you. After all, the question should be relevant. It is not a matter only between you and the Minister. I also come in.

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI D. P. DHAR); I do not think that this question arises out of the question that is before us.

MR. SPEAKER: Mr. Samar Guba, I am sorry, you misjudged him; you misjudged his smile.

Ρ. G. MAVALANKAR: SHRI Although we know that the energy crisis has now come to stay, and unfortunately for quite some time, may I know whether the Government have asked these Study Groups to go into the projects, both in terms of short-term and long-term projects and, secondly, may I also know whether these Study Groups are only finding out the existing sources or they are also doing research in various possibilities so that we can explore alternative avenues to using of oil? And thirdly, when will these study groups submit their reports?

SHRI MOHAN DHARIA: We have constituted nearly 25 working groups and they are going into all these aspects, as mentioned by the hon. Member, including the short-term and long-term measures, and also other suggestions made by the hon. Members. The working groups will be submitting their reports in about three or four weeks time during the next month.

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