है ? हिन्दुस्तान में आंखों की बीमारियां और अंधापन नारियों में ज्यादा है इसलिए क्या वे इस बात का प्रयत्न करेंगी कि चूल्हा निर्माण में भी इसका उपयोग किया जाये जिससे देश की देवियों की आंखें स्वस्थ और सुन्दर रहें ?

KUMARI ABHA MAITI: It is a good suggestion.

श्री राम सेवक हजारी : क्या यह बात सही है कि सोर ऊर्जा का जो विकास हुआ है उसका जितना प्रसार होना चाहिए वह नहीं हुआ है—इस ओर मंत्री जी का ध्यान जायेगा और उसका अधिक से अधिक प्रसार किया जायेगा ?

KUMARI ABHA MAITI: We will do it.

Report of the Verghese Panel

*22. PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR:
SHRI RAM PRASAD DESHMUKH:

Will the Minster of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Verghese Panel on the question of autonomy of AIR and TV have submitted their Report to Government;

(b) if so, when and in what manner; and whether Government have accepted the recommendations of the said Panel;

(c) when would Government make available to Parliament and public the said Report; and

(d) if the said Panel's Report has not yet been submitted, whether any extension of time for doing so was given to the said Panel, and if so, when is the Report now expected?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Report of the Working Group on Autonomy for Akashvani and Doordarshan would be made available to Parliament, after the same has been submitted to Government.

(d) The Working Group was given extension of time for submission of its Report. The Group is now expected to submit its Report by the first week of March, 1978.

PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: Mr. Speaker, Sir, this Working Group was set up by the Government on 13th August, 1977 and it was headed by Shri B. G. Verghese, an eminent Journalist and a distiguished writer. It has also included eminent people like Dr. Malcolm Adiseshiah, Shri Chanchal Sarkar, Shri P. L. Deshpande, Shri Uma Shankar Joshi and others. This Group which was expected to give its report by the end of this month has done the job in record time. The Prime Minister while inaugurating in July, 1977 the Golden Jubilee celebrations of Bombay Station of All India Radio, had said in so many words that the Janata Government's direction is clear. He said that the direction would be towards more freedom and more creativity. In May 1977, the hon. Minister of Information himself had said at Madras that the Radio should be free from partisan propaganda. I would like to know whether the Government have already started on these two important and very welcome directives.

SHRI L. K. ADVANI: The hon. Member is very correct. Even before restructuring of the Akashvani and Door Darshan takes place it has been the Government's policy that the media should conduct itself in a manner as not to be dubbed a propaganda instrument of the ruling party and attempts have been made all these months to present current affairs and news in an objective and balanced manner and directives in this regard are there. There may be lapses here

and there, but all that I can say is that in a vast organisation of this type the lapses may be there and wherever they have been pointed out, they have been corrected.

PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: I said in the earlier supplementary that the report has been given in record time and yet without any undue and indecent haste. Now point is this. The Minister will kindly see the terms of reference of the Working Group. It has been stated under (d) like this.

> "(d) To formulate plan of action for expeditious implementation of the proposal, if the recommendations of the Working Group are accepted by Government."

I would like to know whether the Miniser will make the report available not only to Parliament but also to public at large, as early as possible, to elicit public opinion and critical comments from experts of the whole country and then assure this House accordingly at that stage because the question of autonomy of Radio and Television and even Films Division is important and since there is a national commitment and national consensus on this subject and, will the Government be in a position now to give us a firm assurance that as soon as it gets the report he will go into the matter expeditiously in regard to the implementation of its recommendations and also absorb the existing staff without prejudice to the main content and principles of autonomy?

SHRI L. K. ADVANI: The terms and reference of the Working Group cover the field of Akashvani and Doordarshan. They do not relate to the Films Division issue. The Film Division is being looked at separately. There is no formal Group as yet. But I would very much like to state that after the report is submitted to us, it will first be presented to Parliament so that there is a national debate on the report and there is sometime in between the publication of the report and the decision of the Government so that the Government is able to get the reactions of the Members of this House or of the people at large as to what should be done in this regard, because it is a very important matter. I would like, through you, Sir to place before this House that we would like to be expeditious in this matter. But if we are to submit the report both in English and Hindi versions simultaneously, it may delay the presentation of the report to the House. If the House permits and if you permit, I would be willing to place the English report first and Hindi version later on.

MR. SPEAKER: Please don't do that again. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI DINEN BHATTACHARYA: Why not in other languges?

PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: On a point of guidance.

MR. SPEAKER: Because both languages are important, you should submit both.

PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: There are many reports of the Government of India and other public corporations where the English version of the report comes first and the Hindi version comes later. So, let the English version come first; why allow delay to take place only on this ground?

MR. SPEAKER: As far as possible, both versions should come together.... (*Interruptions*)

PROF. P. G. MAVALANKAR: I am all for Hindi. But why delay the presentation of the Report in English?

SHRI L. K. ADVANI: I have made the position clear. I am entirely in your hands. I expect the report to be submitted to the Government in the first week of March and as early as possible thereafter I shall place it before the House.

श्री मनी राम बागड़ी : अध्यक्ष महोदय, रिपोर्ट हिन्दी में भी आनी चाहिए ।

श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या माननीय मंत्री जी को यह मालूम है कि रिपोर्ट में देर होने से रेगुलर प्रोग्राम अधिकारियों की विभागीय तरक्की अनावश्यक व अनियमित रूप से की जा रही है ? क्या ऐसा करने में विभागीय अधिकारियो का यह मंशा नहीं है कि ऐसे आदमियों को जिनका साहित्य, कला और संगीत से कोई सम्बन्ध नहीं है, खपा दिया जाए ? क्या सूचना मंत्री जी यह प्रयत्न करेंगे कि वर्किंग कमेटी की रिपोर्ट आने से पहले ऐसी नियुक्तियों को रोक दिया जाए ?

श्री लाल कृष्ण अडवाणी : जैसा कि श्री मावलंकर जी ने कहा, मैं नहीं समझता कि वर्किंग कमेटी ने फुर्ती से काम नहीं किया, कोई विलम्ब किया है । अगस्त में इसका गठन हुआ था और मार्च के आरम्भ में वह हमें रिपोर्ट दे देगी । इसको देर तो नहीं कहा जा सकता है । मैं समझता हूं कि हमें उन्हें बधाई देनी चाहिए ।

अगर कहीं पर अनियमितताएं होती हैं तो वे नहीं होनी चाहिएं और उनको रोका जाना चाहिए । इनका वर्किंग कमेटी के काम से कोई सम्बन्ध नहीं है ।

श्री बी० पी० मण्डल : क्या हम इस रिपोर्ट के आने से पहले ही इन्हें आटो-नोमस नहीं बना सकते ? जब हमने कमिटमेंट किया हुआ है तो इस रिपोर्ट के आने का इंतजार क्यों किया जाए ?

श्री लाल कृष्ण अडवाणी : यह मामला बहुत पेचीदा है । आल इंडिया रेडियो में जितने लोग हैं उनमें गवर्नमेंट एम्प्लाईज बहुत सारे हैं । अगर इन्हें हम तुरन्त आटोनोमस बाडीज बना देते हैं तो वे सब उन बाडीज के एम्प्लाईज हो जाएंगे । यह सारा काम आसान नहीं है । इसमें बड़ी जटिल समस्याएं हैं और आगे भी आयेंगी जिनमें माननीय सदस्यों का सहयोग भी लिया जा सकता है । इस सबके बावजूद सरकार का इरादा है कि इस काम में विलम्ब न हो ।

श्री द्वारिकानाथ तिवारी : अब तक दूरदर्शन और रेडियो का इतना दुरुपयोग हुआ है और मंत्री जी ने भी कहा है कि आज भी कभी कभी गलत काम हो जाते हैं । इससे शंका होती है कि इसका दुरुपयोग आगे भी हो सकता है । इसलिए मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि मंत्री जी ने कौन-सा कदम उठाया है कि उसका कभी भी दुरुपयोग न हो ?

MR. SPEAKER: It does not arise from that question.

SHRI D. N. TIWARY: He stated in his reply ......

MR. SPEAKER: You cannot put a Supplementary on the reply. You konw the main question is......

SHRI L. K. ADVANI: He cannot put his words into my mouth. I did not say: "Sometimes दुरुपयोग हो जाता है।" यह कहा है कभी कभी गलती हो जाती है और ऐसी किसी भी अखबार में हो जाती है। अच्छे से अच्छे में एडिटोरियल लैप्सिस होती हैं। उस प्रकार की गलती होती है। कहीं पर भी दुरुपयोग नहीं हुआ है।

श्री मनी राम बागड़ी : आकाशवाणी और दूर दर्शन में जो भारत के अन्दर एक सब से बड़ा रोग है जाति का उसको प्रचार करके तोड़ा जा सकता है । लेकिन क्या इस चीज़ को वहां भी बढ़ावा नहीं मिल रहा है । हर किसी व्यक्ति का नाम जब घोषित होता है तो उसके साथ जाति का विवरण रहता है जैसे शर्मा, त्रिपाठी । मैं इन जातियों के खिलाफ नहीं हूं, किसी के भी खिलाफ नहीं हूं । लेकिन जातपांत को तोड़ने के लिए इस तरह से

इन का प्रचार न हो और जातपांत को तोड़ने को बढ़ावा मिले, क्या इसके लिए भी आप कोई प्रचार करने का विचार रखते हैं, इस किस्म के भी पग उठाएंगे जिससे जातपांत की बीमारी से नजात मिल सके ?

MR. SPEAKER: It has nothing to do with this.

Production in Ordnance Factories

*24. SHRI SUKHDEV PRASAD VERMA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that production in Ordnance factories during the year 1977 have gone up substantially in comparison to the year of 1976;

(b) if so, how does the increased cost and value of production of 1977 compare with that of 1976;

(c) whether the Ordnance organisation is contemplating to give up certain areas of activities to private sector; and

(d) if so, what are the items and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (PROF. SHER SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The gross value of production in 1976-77 was Rs. 475.30 crores as against Rs. 381.23 crores in the previous year. There was substantial increase in physical production in respect of numerous items. The break up of increased costs in each case is not readily available.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

श्री सुखदेव प्रसाद वर्मा : मैंने अपने प्रश्न में लागत और मूल्य का दोनों वर्षों का अलग अलग विवरण मांगा था । लेकिन मंत्री महोदय ने इसको देने में अपनी असमर्थता प्रकट की है । मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या लागत और मूल्य दोनों वर्षों का अलग अलग आप उपलब्ध कराने की चेष्टा करेंगे ?

मैं यह भी जानना चाहता हूं कि जो वृद्धि हुई है इसका कारण क्या है ? कौन कौन सा कार्य इस में विशेषतया हुआ है जिसकी वजह से यह वृद्धि सम्भव हो सकी है ? क्या पूंजी अधिक लगाई गई है, काम करने वालों ने मेहनत की है ? किन कारणों के चलते इस में इतनी वृद्धि हुई है ?

प्रो० शेर सिंह : आर्मी की जो मांग होती है और जिस जिस चीज की होती है उसकी अपनी डिमांड वह हर साल रखती है । उसके अनुसार तथा जितनी कैपेसिटी होती है फक्ट्रीज में, उसके मुताबिक उत्पादन का निर्णय किया जाता है । यह हर साल बदलती रहती है हमारे पास मांग आती है और कपेसिटी का हिसाब लगा कर सब पैदावार की जाती है । मैंने फिगर्ज दी हैं पैदावार की दोनों वर्षों की अलग -अलग । यह भी कहा है कि यही नहीं कि मूल्य में वृद्धि हुई है लेकिन फिजिकल प्रोडक्शन भी बढ़ा है बहुत सी आइटम्ज़ का । जितनी आइटम्ज की जरूरत हम को बताई गई आर्मी की तरफ से उसको देखते हुए जितना हम पदा कर सकते थे हमने पैदा करके दी है ।

MR. SPEAKER: You have not answered his question. He has asked the cost as well as the value, because in order to find out whether there was a real increase, one must know what is the cost incurred by you that is his question. Another thing he has asked is, whether the increase is due to the workers' effort or due to further capitalisation. These are the two questions asked by him. You have not answered those questions.