that the President does not find time to give the green signal? What is his opinion about the delay in signing this agreement?

Shri Morarji Desai: The U S A also is a democracy, just as ours is a democracy Just as there are pressures on us here, there are pressures on him also

श्री अमृत नाहाटा : क्या सरकार को यह मालूम है कि राजस्थान के अकाल ग्रस्त क्षेत्रों मे जा आयातित लाल ज्वार वितरित की जा रही है उसको इ नो क्या पशु भी खाने से इकार कर रहे है ?

श्री मोरारजी देसाई : मैं इसके साथ महमत नही हू ।

श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय : मै जानना चाहता हू कि क्या यह सही है कि जो अनाज हल्की क्वालिटी का होता है उसे बाजार मे सप्लाई न करके जबरदस्ती आटा मिलो को आटा पीसने के लिए दिया जाता है । बाहर से जो अन्न आता है उस मे से कुछ आने मे भी खराब हो जाता है । मै जानना चाहता हू कि क्या यह सही है कि खराब गेहू उनको पीसने के लिए दिया जाता है और जब वे इन्कार करते है तो दबाव उन पर डाला जाता है ?

श्री मोरारजी देसाई : दबाव कुछ नही डाला जाता है । वह आटा मैंने भी खाया है । वह इतना खराब है ऐसा मैंने नही देखा है ।

Shri G S. Reddi: Is there food aid promised by Russia to India?

Shri Morarji Desai: It is given already.

Shri S. S. Kothari: On a point of order, Sir. How is it that this question has been put down for answer by the Finance Minister instead of by the Food Minister?

Mr. Speaker: After so long you have discovered it! Next question

Security Paper Mill, Hoshangabad

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*512 **Shri Ram Kishan Gupta:**
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri Baburao Patel:
Shri S. C. Samanta:
Shri Nitiraj Singh Chaudhary:

Will the Minister of **Finance** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No 335 on the 17th November, 1966 and state.

(a) whether the Security Paper Mill at Hoshangabad has been commissioned,

(b) if so, what is the present schedule of the production in the Security Paper Mill at Hoshangabad,

(c) the time by which the Mill is expected to go into full production, giving details of the country's annual requirements of security paper and the Mill's contribution towards this, and

(d) if the reply to part (a) above be in the negative, the reasons for the delay?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (Shri K C Pant): (a) Yes, Sir Trial runs of the first two machines of the Four Machine Mill have commenced

(b) During the year 1967-68 the production is expected to be of the order of 700 tonnes and in 1968-69 about 1500 tonnes

(c) The Mill is expected to go into full production in 1969-70 As its rated capacity is 2700 tonnes per annum it would fully meet the anticipated requirements of 2300 tonnes of Currency and Bank Note paper during that year Efforts would also be made to utilize the surplus capacity for meeting part of the requirement of about 850 tonnes of other types of security paper used for Stamps, Postal statonery etc.

(d) It was estimated that trial runs would take place towards the end of March, 1967. There has been a slight delay occasioned mainly by the belated delivery of the process

steam plant because of a go slow campaign in the factory of the supplier and because of delayed deliveries of certain pipes.

श्री राम कृष्ण गुप्त : इस कारखाने पर कितनी लागत आएगी और क्या इस कारखाने के लिए फारेन कोलैबोरेशन हासिल किया गया है ?

श्री कृष्ण चन्द्र पन्त : जी हां, इस में फारेन कोलैबोरेटर्ज एक यू० के० की फर्म है मैसर्स पोर्टल्स लिमिटेड । उसके साथ कोलैबोरेशन हुआ है । इसकी लागत करीब करीब बारह करोड़ आएगी ऐसा अंदाजा है ।

श्री राम कृष्ण गुप्त : पेपर बनाने के लिए जो रा मैटीरियल इस्तेमाल किया जाएगा वह तमाम हिन्दुस्तानी ही होगा या बाहर से भी कुछ इम्पोर्ट किया जाएगा ?

श्री कृष्ण चन्द्र पन्त : बहुतांश मैटीरियल देश के अन्दर का ही होगा ।

Shri Baburao Patel: With the devaluation of the rupee, with neither gold nor silver in our coffers and with a tragic shortage of foreign exchange, we urgently need our own swadeshi security paper for producing more and more currency notes not only to save our foreign exchange but also to boost our morale as a developing country. Seeing this urgent national need, will the Government speed up the production?

Shri K. C. Pant: Certainly the Government will speed it up. Trial runs have already begun and we will certainly speed it up as much as we can.

Shri Baburao Patel: Sir, I would like to know....

Mr. Speake: No, Sir. I wish I could allow you two or three supplementaries. Except the first questioner all others are allowed only one supplementary each. If I allow the hon. Member one more supplementary today, I will get into trouble.

Shri S. C. Samanta: I would like to know why this Mill was established at Hoshangabad and why Nasik was not expanded? I would also like to know whether the climate of Bangalore was more suitable for this purpose than that of Hoshangabad?

Shri K. C. Pant: The main reasons for chosing Hoshangabad were: firstly, availability of water and power; secondly, the fact that it was close to Nasik and on the trunk railway line; and, thirdly, it had a smoke-free atmosphere which is necessary for this.

Shri S. K. Tapuriah: Is there any possibility of exporting this paper at a later stage or has Government also explored the possibility of certain printing orders from neighbouring countries for their currency requirements or stamp requirements?

Shri K. C. Pant: I do not think this has been done for the simple reason that we shall be consuming all the paper that we produce in the foreseeable future either for bank notes or for stamps and postal stationery.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि करेन्सी नोटों के लिए जो कागज विदेशों से मंगाया जाता है, उस पर कितनी विदेशी मुद्रा व्यय होती है और होशंगाबाद का कारखाना चालू होने के बाद विदेशी मुद्रा में कितनी बचत होगी ।

श्री कृष्ण चन्द्र पन्त : इस वक्त इस काम के लिए बाहर से जो कागज मंगाया जाता है, उस पर करीब तीन करोड़ रुपया खर्च होता है ।

श्री मधु लिमये : मंत्री महोदय ने बताया है कि होशंगाबाद में कागज पैदा करने के सम्बन्ध में क्यों विलम्ब हो रहा है । डेढ़ दो साल पहले मैंने वित्त मंत्री का ध्यान खींचा था और वर्तमान राज्य मंत्री महोदय से भी बात की थी कि नासिक में इस कागज के इस्तेमाल में काफ़ी बचत हो सकती है ।

उस के बारे में कुछ तफ़सील भी मैंने भूतपूर्व वित्त मंत्री को दी थी। मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या मंत्री महोदय ने स्वयं इस के बारे में जांच की है, जिससे कागज की बचत हो सके और विदेशी मुद्रा भी बचे?

श्री कृष्ण चन्द्र पन्त : माननीय सदस्य ने जो सुझाव दिये थे, उस के बारे में जांच कराई गई है। उनके सम्बन्ध में जो कार्यवाही हो सकेगी, वह की जायेगी।

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*513. **Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:**
Shri Indrajit Gupta:
Shri P. Gopalan:
Shri C. K. Chakrapani:
Shrimati Suseela Gopalan:

Will the Minister of **Finance** be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that the Bell Mission in its latest report has asked India to reduce its defence expenditure as well as to go in for a number of joint Indo-Pakistan ventures;

(b) if so, the main details of the suggestions made by the Mission in this respect;

(c) whether Government have examined the suggestions; and

(d) if so, the decision taken thereon?

The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai): (a) to (d). The report has been made by the World Bank Mission to the President of the World Bank and not to the Government of India. Since the report is treated by the Bank as a restricted document of the Bank and consequently its contents cannot be published, I regret I am unable to answer questions on the contents of the report.

श्री सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद : श्रीमन्, क्या यह सच नहीं है कि बैल्ल मिशन की ओर से जो रिपोर्ट वर्ल्ड बैंक के अध्यक्ष को दी गई है, उस की प्रति भारत सरकार को भी उस की प्रतिक्रिया जानने के लिए भेजी गई है; यदि हां, तो मंत्री महोदय उस रिपोर्ट के ब्यौरे को चाहे प्रकट न करें, लेकिन भारत सरकार की ओर से उस पर क्या प्रतिक्रिया व्यक्त की गई है, वह बताने में क्या कठिनाई है?

श्री मोरारजी देसाई : चूंकि हम ने कुबूल किया है कि वह रिपोर्ट कान्फिडेंशल है, इसलिए हम नहीं बता सकते।

श्री सिद्धेश्वर प्रसाद : क्या यह सच नहीं है कि जब बैल्ल मिशन भारत आया था तो उसने यह सुझाव दिया था कि भारत और पाकिस्तान की सरकारों को मिल कर कुछ प्राजेक्ट्स को बनाना चाहिए, जिन के लिए वर्ल्ड बैंक और कुछ देशों की ओर से सहायता दी जायेगी। यदि हां, तो मैं यह जानना चाहता हूं कि वह सुझाव क्या था और भारत सरकार की ओर से उस के बारे में क्या प्रतिक्रिया प्रकट की गई?

श्री मोरारजी देसाई : अगर मैं इस प्रश्न का जवाब दूं, तो मैंने अभी जो कुछ कहा है, उस का विरोध होगा। इसलिए मैं इस का जवाब कैसे दे सकता हूं?

Shri P. Gopalan: The second Bell Mission in its so-called confidential report—it is no more confidential because it has already been published—is reported to have stated that the Mission is very much satisfied with the performance of the Government of India in giving effect to the changed policies and programmes. That is to say, the policies and programmes of the Government are stated to have been changed in consultation with the President of the World Bank in the year 1966. What are the policies and programmes which are stated to have been subject to this new change?

Shri Morarji Desai: I cannot reply to this question, as I said before.

Shri Umanath: Sir, on a point of order. The question is a simple and straight forward one, whether it is a fact that any policy change has been made by the Government in consultation with World Bank and if so, what