

Watch Company are presently under examination of the Government. Production of automatic watches will start according to a phased Programme after Government have approved of the Proposals of the Company.

(b) The Detailed Project Report envisages an annual production of 200,000 watches of automatic types with day-date mechanism at the existing Watch Factory at Bangalore.

(c) The profitability and break-even analysis of the Watch Project is at present under examination of Government and it will not be possible at this stage to indicate the extent to which the production of automatic watches would affect the overall working of the Company.

**SHRI A. SREEDHARAN :** Automatic watches are very much in demand in this country and since we are not able to provide automatic watches thousands of automatic watches are smuggled into this country every year. Hindustan Machine Tools have not taken up this problem seriously to this day. As things stand at Hindustan Machine Tools, I am afraid this project is not going to come up soon.

**MR. SPEAKER :** Let him come to the question.

**SHRI A. SREEDHARAN :** This is very relevant because Hindustan Machine Tools are incurring losses. The Chairman of the Hindustan Machine Tools recently went to Australia at the expense of the company for being interviewed for a job in the United Nations Organisation. That is the performance of the Hindustan Machine Tools. Now my question is this. There is so much of demand for automatic watches in this country and the reply of the government says that they are going to have a phased programme, they are considering this and that. In the first place, I want to

know when will they finalise this agreement, and, according to the plan of the government, when will the first automatic watch roll out of the assembly line of the HMT?

**THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) :** It is true that there is demand for automatic watches and it is for this reason that we have been trying to ascertain under what collaboration the manufacture of automatic watches can be undertaken. I may inform the House that we have already received a detailed project report and the detailed collaboration agreement is under the consideration of the Government and a decision would soon be taken. It will take two or three years before the manufacture is established.

#### INDIGENOUS PRODUCTION OF TRACTORS

\*1423. **SHRIMATI SHARDA MUKERJEE :** Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the specific makes of tractors licensed to be manufactured in India with foreign collaboration;

(b) whether it is also a fact that pending their indigenous production, Government have restricted the import of tractors to the type licensed to be manufactured in India;

(c) whether such import of tractors is in fully or partly assembled condition; and

(d) the agency for such imports?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RAGHUNATHA REDDY) :** (a) to (d). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

#### Statement

(a) The required information is as under :

S. No.	Name of company manufacturing tractors	Make and Model of tractor
1.	M/s. Hindustan Tractors Ltd., Baroda	Hindustan HWD-50 (50 HP) 35 (35 HP)
2.	M/s. Tractors and Farm Equipment Ltd., Madras.	Massey Ferguson MF. 1035, (35 HP)
3.	M/s. International Tractors Co. of India, Bombay.	International McCormic B-275 (35 HP)
4.	M/s. Escorts Ltd., Faridabad.	Escort 37 (34.5 HP)
5.	M/s. Eicher Tractors of India Ltd., Faridabad.	Eicher Model 115/8 (26.5 HP)

(b) Subject to availability of foreign exchange, import is limited to such make(s) of tractors as have an approved manufacturing programme and or those, the manufacture of which is likely to be established in the country in the foreseeable future. Such imports are arranged by the Department of Agriculture in consultation with the Ministry of Finance and this Ministry.

(c) Imports are generally permitted in fully or partly assembled condition.

(d) The imports are channelled through the State Trading Corporation, who in turn distribute them to the various State Agro Industries Corporations for sale to the customers.

**SHRIMATI SHARDA MUKERJEE :** In part (a) of my question I asked for the specific makes of tractors licenced to be manufactured in India with foreign collaboration. I find that the statement just gives the indigenous names. From the statement we cannot find the names of the collaborators. Which are the countries from which we are getting collaboration? Will the Minister please clarify this?

**THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI F. A. AHMED) :** I can clarify that. So far as Tractors and Farm Equipments of Madras are concerned, they are manufacturing Massey-Ferguson tractors in technical collaboration with Messrs. Massey-Ferguson of Canada and their associates. So far as the International Tractor Company of India is concerned, the company which was originally licensed, they have entered into collaboration agreement with Messrs. International Harvester Company of the United Kingdom.

Messrs. Eicher Tractor Faridabad are in collaboration with M/s. Gehr Eicher Tractorfabrick of West Germany and M/s. Hindustan Tractors Ltd., Baroda are in collaboration with Motokou of Czechoslovakia. Messrs Escorts Ltd., Faridabad are in collaboration agreement with Westing House Electrical International of U. S.A.

**SHRIMATI SHARDA MUKERJEE :** May I know whether it is a fact that large number of tractors are lying unsold with M16LSS/70

S.T.C. and is it also a fact that these tractors cost Rs. 20,000/- and even when Government is willing to give a loan to the farmers to purchase these tractors the farmers are not lifting those tractors because they are not suitable for Indian conditions. Will the Government carry out a survey as to what are the tractors which are suitable to our country? Have these collaborations been sanctioned after going into this question, that is, to find out whether the tractors which are going to be manufactured will be acceptable to the Indian farmer.

**MR. SPEAKER :** It is already past 120' clock but I have tried to accommodate you.

**SHRIMATI SHARDA MUKERJEE :** I did not hear you.

**अध्यक्ष महोदय :** मैं कह रहा हूँ कि खत्म करिये, क्वेश्चन आवर से दो मिनट ऊपर हो गए हैं ! (व्यवधान) . . . . .

I should have stopped you there and then.

**DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH :** You should behave in a proper way. We are not pupils here. We realise our responsibility. That is a wrong method of dealing with the Member. If you deal in this manner then there will be trouble here.

**SHRI F. A. AHMED :** If any tractor is lying undisposed of with STC I shall make an enquiry into it. Before agreeing to import tractors from outside we take into consideration the views given by the Agriculture Department.

#### SHORT NOTICE QUESTION

**CLASH BETWEEN INDIAN SECURITY FORCE AND REBEL NAGAS AT OKHA AND KOHIMA**

**SNQ. 28. SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU :**

**SHRI HEM BARUA :**

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a clash between Indian Security Force and rebel Nagas at Okha and Kohima on the 26 April, 1970;

(b) whether it is also a fact that 14 army personnel including a Major were killed and 7 kidnapped by them;