

U.K. have increased by Rs. 20 crores in 1957 as compared with 1956. I want to know how much of this increase has been due to increase in prices and whether the same volume has been maintained in our imports as in 1956.

**Shri Satish Chandra:** The increase is mainly due, as I said, to increased imports of machinery and raw materials. That is the main reason.

#### Indo-China

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\*330. { **Shri Heda:**  
**Shri Harish Chandra**  
**Mathur:**

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) the date when the International Commission for Supervision and Control in Viet-Nam submitted its last report;

(b) whether any progress has been made by the Commission to resolve the stalemate in Indo-China;

(c) how long it is proposed to keep the Indian troops in that area; and

(d) what expenditure has so far been incurred by India in this connection?

**The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon):**

(a) 12th July, 1957.

(b) No tangible progress has been made by this Commission after the cessation of hostilities in Viet-Nam, as the primary responsibility for the execution of the Geneva Agreement rests with the parties concerned. The commission, however, continues to maintain peace in the area by supervising the movement of armed forces, the introduction of war material etc. and exercises a pacifying influence on the parties. There are two other International Commissions in Indo-China—one in Cambodia and the other in Laos.

(c) It is not possible to say with any certainty how long they will have to stay in Indo-China to fulfil their functions.

(d) The expenditure on the Indian Delegations upto the end of June 1957 was Rs. 84,86,500 of which a minimum of Rs. 44,30,000 is recoverable from the three International Commissions.

**Shri Heda:** May I know the strength of our troops that have been posted there?

**The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru):** Our Forces are in very small numbers. It is difficult to give the exact figure now. If the hon. Member would like to have it, I would inform the House. In fact, the numbers are very limited.

**Shri Shree Narayan Das:** May I know whether any steps by any parties have been taken to resolve this stalemate in Indo-China?

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** Presumably the hon. Member is referring to Viet-Nam.

**Shri Shree Narayan Das:** Yes.

**Shri Jawaharlal Nehru:** Plenty of steps have been taken from time to time, first of all by the Commission itself and sometime by the two other parties. Sometimes the steps of the other parties have been in the nature of criticism of the others, which has not led to results.

#### Second Five Year Plan

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\*331. { **Shri Naushir Bharucha:**  
**Shri Morarka:**  
**Shri Nathwani:**

Will the Minister of Planning be pleased to state the principal schemes and projects included in the core of the Second Five Year Plan?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Labour and Employment and Planning (Shri L. N. Mishra):** The core of the Second Five Year Plan is defined to include the three new steel plants in the public sector, expansion of the existing steel works, coal projects in the public and private sectors, railway expansion programme, port projects and certain specified power projects.