

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Production (Shri R. G. Dubey): (a) to (e). The required information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

MEETING OF HANDLOOM BOARD

*1754. Shri R. S. Lal: (a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether any meeting of the Handloom Board has taken place?

(b) If so, what steps has it taken to relieve the weavers from unemployment?

(c) Has any step been taken to help these weavers by supply of cheap yarn?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c). Schemes for assisting and developing the handloom Industry have to be formulated and worked out by State Governments to whom grants will be made by the Central Government after examination of all such schemes by the Handloom Board. Such schemes are awaited.

Meanwhile a Central Directorate to assist the State Governments and an Export Marketing Organisation to promote exports have been set up by the All India Handloom Board.

नीलोखेड़ी कार्य-केन्द्र

*१७५५. डा० सत्यबाबी : क्या योजना मंत्री यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सरकार ने नीलोखेड़ी की विभिन्न संस्थाओं पर कुल कितना व्यय किया है ;

(ख) इन संस्थाओं से कुल कितनी आय हुई है ;

(ग) क्या यह सत्य है कि नीलोखेड़ी कार्य-केन्द्र नक्सान में चल रहा है ;

(घ) यदि हाँ तो प्रत्येक वर्ष कितना नुकसान होता है तथा उसके क्या कारण हैं ; तथा

(ङ) नीलोखेड़ी की विभिन्न संस्थाओं के बन्द कर देने से कितना नुकसान उठाना पड़ा है और उनके बन्द करने के कारण क्या हैं ?

The Deputy Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri Hathl). (a) About Rupees one crore upto 31st March, 1953.

(b) About Rs. 9.5 lakhs.

(c) There is no Work Centre at Nilokheri.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Rs. 26,000/- on Tannery which was closed down on account of difficulties in procuring raw hides and because of the sudden death of the Expert who had planned it.

डा० सत्यबाबी : क्या यह मालूम करने की कोशिश की गई है कि इस में प्लानिंग की ही इस्तदायी गलती थी जिस से यह स्कीम फेल हो रही है ?

Shri Hathl: No defect in planning.

डा० सत्यबाबी : क्या आपको मालूम है कि वहां की आबादी दिन दिन कम होती चली जा रही है ?

श्री हाथी . सब तो नहीं चली जा रही है

Shri Kelappan: May I know what was the difficulty in procuring raw hides?

Shri Hathl: The difficulty was that in the beginning hides had to be imported from different places because of the demands.

Shri Barman: May I know the capital sunk in this tannery and how are the installations going to be utilised now?

Shri Hathl: I will require notice. The income is 9.5 lakhs.

Shri Jasani: May I know whether this income is net income or gross income?

Shri Hathil: Net income.

Pandit K. C. Sharma: Has the Government taken any steps with regard to the marketing of its produce?

Shri Hathil: These are all co-operative industries being run by private individuals on a co-operative basis and steps are being taken to see that the produce is being marketed.

Pandit K. C. Sharma: Has Government nothing to do with regard to marketing of the produce?

Shri Hathil: I said steps are being taken to see that it is being marketed.

Prof. D. C. Sharma: May I know whether some sale depots have been organised in different places in Punjab and elsewhere for the sale of articles manufactured at Nilokheri? Are they having good customers?

Shri Hathil: I have no information.

Shri Gidwani: What is the number of trainees now left with the institution and what was the original number?

Shri Hathil: Which institution? There are so many institutions

Shri Gidwani: In all these institutions?

Shri Hathil: I would require notice.

Shri Sarangadhar Das: May I know whether in planning the tannery the source of raw material, i.e., hide was not considered in the beginning?

Shri Hathil: It was considered.

सेठ अचल सिंह : क्या मंत्री महोदय बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि शुरू में कितने फैमिलीज बसाये गये और अब कितने रह गये हैं ?

Shri Hathil: The total population today is about 7,000.

CENTRAL PAY COMMISSION'S AWARD FOR RAILWAY COLLIERY WORKERS

*1756. **Shri P. C. Bose:** Will the Minister of Production be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the categories of workers of Railway collieries to whom the Central Pay Commission's award has been made applicable;

(b) the categories of workers in respect of whom the award has been already implemented;

(c) the categories in respect of whom the award has not yet been implemented; and

(d) the cause of delay in implementing the award?

The Minister of Production (Shri K. C. Reddy): (a) to (c). A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix X, annexure No. 53.]

(d) After the workers were originally classified into various categories such as skilled, semi-skilled, etc., it was decided that the classification should follow the Railway Workers' Classification Tribunal Award. The re-classification of numerous categories of workers, which involved comparison of each category of workers in the Railway collieries with the corresponding category of workers in the Railways after taking into account their existing pay and duties entailed considerable time and labour.

I may add that every step is being taken to expedite the final disposal of this matter.

Shri P. C. Bose: May I know whether the implementations will have retrospective effect?

Shri K. C. Reddy: I think so. In previous cases where orders were passed later, it was said that they would have retrospective effect from August, 1949.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Question No. 1735.

Kumari Annie Mascarene: May I put this question?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Yes.

TAMARIND PULP (EXPORT)

*1735. **Kumari Annie Mascarene** (on behalf of **Shri P. T. Chacko**): (a) Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state whether tamarind pulp is exported from India?

(b) If so, what was the quantity exported in 1952 and the countries to which exports were made?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Karmarkar): (a) and (b). Figures of export of tamarind pulp are not recorded separately in official statistics and it is therefore, not possible to say whether tamarind is also exported in the form of pulp. Tamarind has been separately specified in trade statistics from April, 1952 and a state-