

श्री कानूनगो : जो नई प्रणाली से शहद बनता है वह शुद्ध होता है और उसमें मक्खियों का नाश नहीं होता है, इसलिए उसकी कीमत ज्यादा होगी ।

श्री भगत सिंह : क्या इस सुझाव पर विचार किया गया है कि हिमालय के क्षेत्रों में शहद बहुत ही शुद्ध और अच्छे परिमाण में होता है, इसलिए उन इलाकों में अधिक से अधिक संख्या में केंद्र खोले जाय ?

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#### PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

\*2616. **Shri Bishwa Nath Roy:** Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to refer to the reply given to starred question No. 1798 on the 2nd April, 1955, and state whether after the installation of the new refineries this year, India would be self-sufficient in petrol, fuel oil and other petroleum products?

**The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Sardar Swaran Singh):** Both the new refineries in Bombay are expected to go into full production during this year, and India would then be self-sufficient in Petrol and probably in Furnace Oil also, but not in other Petroleum Products. Crude Oil will, however, have to be imported from abroad.

**Shri Bishwa Nath Roy:** May I know the percentage of increase of production in these refineries in relation to the present production?

**Sardar Swaran Singh:** I do not know what the hon. Member means by the present production. If by that he means the production in Digboi refinery, that is very small. The two new refineries, one known as the Standard Vacuum Refinery Co. and the other the Burma Shell Refinery Co. both of which are located in Bombay, have a production capacity of 11,74,530 tons of petrol and 10,41,938 tons of fuel oil.

**Shri K. P. Tripathi:** May I know if it is already decided that the oil from Naharkhatia will be refined in Assam; if not, where will it be refined and whether this has been taken into account in the Minister's statement that India would be self-sufficient in petrol?

**Sardar Swaran Singh:** According to the present plans of the Assam Oil Company, crude oil which has been found in Naharkhatia is proposed to be refined by the Company in the Digboi refineries. The present question related to the new refineries and in saying finally that we will be self-sufficient in the matter of petrol and furnace oil, account has been taken of the production capacity of Digboi oil fields also along with the two new refineries that have gone into stream in Bombay.

**Shri A. M. Thomas:** May I enquire whether there is any possibility of a revision in prices having regard to the Indian production?

**Sardar Swaran Singh:** It is yet premature to make a commitment on this score.

#### PRINTING PRESS

\*2617. **Shri Siddananjappa:** Will the Minister of Works, Housing and Supply be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to set up a new Press in South India; and

(b) if so, the site of the proposed press?

**The Minister of Works, Housing and Supply (Sardar Swaran Singh):** (a) Yes, Sir; for inclusion in the Second Five Year Plan.

(b) The site has not yet been selected

**Shri Siddananjappa:** May I know if Bangalore is one of the places in view?

**Sardar Swaran Singh:** Yes, Sir; Bangalore is one of the places which

are being considered for the location of the Press.

**Shri Matthen:** May I know whether there is any proposal for a printing press exclusively for the Parliament; if not, will Government consider the proposal to have one?

**Sardar Swaran Singh:** That is a suggestion for action, Sir.

#### BORDER RAID

\*2618. **Sardar Iqbal Singh:** Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Pakistan forces have occupied the place where the body of Sardar Bhagat Singh was cremated on the bank of River Sutlej near Ferozepore;

(b) whether the Government of India have taken any steps for the restoration of the said place; and

(c) if so, the nature of the action taken?

**The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri Sadath Ali Khan):** (a) to (c). Sardar Bhagat Singh's body was cremated near the foot of the Right Abutment of the old Kaiser-e-Hind Ferozepore bridge, about two furlongs on the Indian side of the Right Marginal Bund of the Ferozepore Headworks. There is no monument on that site. Pakistan forces encroached upon and occupied Indian territory in this area on the 7th June, 1948. Since then, they have increased their area of unauthorised occupation in that region.

The question of evacuation of Indian territory in the vicinity of Ferozepore Headworks has been taken up from time to time with Pakistan authorities. It was included in the list of items for discussion by the Indo-Pakistan Steering Committees, which have recently been revived. It has been agreed during these discussions that the demarcation of the boundary in the Western Zone

should be taken up as early as possible. It has not, however, been possible to reach any agreement so far, on the question of Pakistan's evacuation of Indian territory in the vicinity of the Ferozepore Headworks, pending the final demarcation of the boundary.

**Sardar Iqbal Singh:** May I know whether the Government are aware of the fact that there used to be a big fair to pay homage to Sardar Bhagat Singh on the 23rd March, every year and now the people could not go there though the place is in India?

**Shri Sadath Ali Khan:** I am not aware of this. I will certainly look into that.

**Sardar Iqbal Singh:** May I know whether the Government of India will take some action as early as possible so that next year people may be able to pay homage to Sardar Bhagat Singh at that place?

**Shri Sadath Ali Khan:** We hope the matter will be settled.

#### GRANTS TO STATE GOVERNMENT

\*2620. **Dr. Rama Rao:** Will the Minister of Rehabilitation be pleased to state:

(a) whether a sum of rupees two lakhs has been sanctioned for expenditure on the staff employed by the Delhi State Government in the Social Welfare and Rehabilitation Directorate;

(b) if so, the conditions laid down for this grant; and

(c) the details of the schemes for which this amount has been sanctioned?

**The Deputy Minister of Rehabilitation (Shri J. K. Bhopale):** (a) Yes.

(b) None.

(c) The grant has been sanctioned to cover expenditure on staff of the Social Welfare Rehabilitation Directorate engaged on the implementation