

**Rehabilitation of Indians Repatriated from Sri Lanka in Tamil Nadu**

2519. SHRI K. BALADHANDAYUTHAM: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indians repatriated from Sri Lanka were mostly Tamilians;

(b) whether all of them have been settled in Tamil Nadu; and

(c) what assistance has been given to Tamil Nadu Government by the Centre for settling them?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI RAGHUNATHA REDDY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A Statement showing the number of repatriates arrived from Sri Lanka and the States in which they have been resettled is attached.

(c) The Central Government gives loans and grants to cover the full expenditure on all schemes sanctioned for relief and rehabilitation of the repatriates. The Government of Tamil Nadu have so far been given a loan of Rs. 215 lakhs and a grant of Rs. 52 lakhs for resettlement of repatriates from Sri Lanka.

*Statement*

(i) Total number of repatriates arrived from Sri Lanka upto 24-2-73. . . . 85627 Persons (20609 families.)

(ii) No. of applications for assistance pending as on 31-7-72. . . . 6665

(iii) No. of families of Sri Lanka repatriates given reha-

bilitation assistance upto 31-12-72 is indicated below:—

Tamil Nadu . . . . .	537
Mysore . . . . .	276
Kerala . . . . .	276
Andhra Pradesh . . . . .	22
Andaman & Nicobar . . . . .	2
TOTAL . . . . .	5113

The other families are apparently those who have resettled themselves on their own with the assets brought from Sri Lanka and such assets as they may have owned in India or those who have not applied for any rehabilitation assistance

**Developing of basic Raw Materials for Public Sector Aeronautic Industry**

2520. SHRI H. M. PATEL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the extent to which the country has succeeded in developing its own basic raw materials for the public sector aeronautic industry;

(b) whether attention of Government in this regard has been drawn to a statement made by Air Marshal O. P. Mehra in Bangalore recently (published in the "Commerce Weekly" of 23rd December, 1972, page 1536); and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (DEFENCE PRODUCTION) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) The raw materials used in the aircraft

industry include aluminium, magnesium, copper and nickel base alloys, titanium alloys; special steels, rare metals, non-metallic materials such as acrylic sheets, glass cloth, rubber items, and various consumables of a proprietary nature such as resins, paints, varnishes, adhesives, sealants etc. These are governed by stringent specifications for use in the aeronautics industry. Most of the requirements are at present imported, but indigenous sources have been developed for a part of the requirements of aluminium alloys, copper alloys and magnesium alloys, the latter based on imported virgin metal. A part of the requirements, of non-metallic items like glass cloth and consumables are also met from indigenous sources

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The report relates to the welcome address of HAL's Chairman on the occasion of the christening of the agricultural aircraft and the acceptance of the first "Chetak" helicopter by the Raksha Mantri on 14th December, 1972 at Bangalore, wherein *inter alia* the need for developing indigenous sources of supply for basic materials on priority has been stressed. Government attach considerable importance to this. Vigorous efforts are being made to accelerate the pace of import substitution so as to progressively, diminish our dependence on imported materials. Government have also recently decided to set up a plant for the manufacture of special metals and super alloys required for the aeronautics industry.

#### Depending on Foreign Sources for Basic Raw Materials for Aeronautic Industry

2521. SHRI H. M. PATEL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state the extent to which India depends on foreign sources for the basic raw materials for the aeronautic industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (DEFENCE PRODUCTION) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): The raw materials used in the aircraft industry include aluminium, magnesium, copper and nickel base alloys, titanium alloys, special steels, rare metals, non-metallic materials such as acrylic sheets, glass cloth, rubber items, and various consumables of a proprietary nature such as resins, paints, varnishes, adhesives, sealants etc. These are governed by stringent specifications for use in the aeronautics industry. Most of the requirements are at present imported, but concerted efforts are being made to develop indigenous sources of supply for as many items as possible.

Non-Deposit of E.P.F. Dues by Westing House Saxby Farmer Ltd. Calcutta

2522 SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state.

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the fact that "Westing house Saxby Farmer Ltd.," Calcutta, under the management of the Government of the West Bengal has not deposited the Provident fund from August, 1970 to February, 1972 amounting to approximately Rs 19 lakhs with the result that those who have retired or left the firm are not getting their provident fund dues for more than a year;

(b) if so, whether Government have ascertained from the Government of West Bengal the exact position in this regard; and

(c) if so, the facts thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI RAGHUNATHA REDDY): (a) to (c). The matter was not brought to Government's notice. The Provident Fund Authorities have now reported as under:—

"M/s. Westinghouse Saxby Farmer Ltd., Calcutta have defaulted