

(c) when the plant is likely to be commissioned?

The Minister of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri C. Subramaniam): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The plant will have a capacity of 10,000 tonnes per annum and will be located at Cochin.

(c) The unit is expected to go into production by the end of 1963.

Small Scale Units in Andhra Pradesh

1842. Shri Kolla Venkaiah: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the number of small scale units benefited by Industrial Extension Service in Andhra Pradesh during 1961 and 1962;

(b) the total amount of loans granted in 1961-62 to small scale units in Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) the nature of the small scale units in Andhra Pradesh and scope for their development?

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) The number of small scale units benefited by Industrial Extension Service in Andhra Pradesh during 1961 and 1962 is as follows:—

	1961	1962
(i) No. of units given technical advice	827	1,111
(ii) No. of parties given information to start new industries	511	292
(iii) No. of visits paid to small units for rendering on the spot advice	1,199	1,084
(c) No. of units given other assistance	1,482	1,734

(b) The total amount of loan sanctioned to the State Government for the development of small scale industries during 1961-62 is Rs. 23.29 lakhs.

(c) There are about 7,600 small scale industrial units in the State, of

which about 5,000 are Agro-Industries. In view of the size and population of the State there is ample scope for development of small scale industries particularly in the sphere of manufacture of chemicals, light engineering, ceramics and electrical industries etc.

बस्तर जिले में लोहे का कारखाना

१८४३. श्री लक्ष्मू भवानी : क्या इस्पात और भारी उद्योग मंत्री यह बताते की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच ई कि बस्तर जिले की दन्तेवाडा तहसील में चित्तलेका प्राय में लोहे का कारखाना स्थापित किया जा रहा है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो वह किस क्षेत्र के अन्तर्गत स्थापित किया जा रहा है ?

इस्पात और भारी उद्योग मंत्री (श्री चि० सुब्रामण्यम) (क) और (ख). चौथी पंच वर्षीय योजना में सरकारी क्षेत्र में एक नया इस्पात कारखाना स्थापित करने के बारे में मेलाडिला-विशाखापटनम क्षेत्र की शक्यता जानने के लिए अध्ययन किए जा रहे हैं। कारखाना स्थापित करने तथा उसके स्थान-निर्धारण के बारे में फसले अध्ययन पूरा होने पर किए जा सकेंगे।

12 hrs.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

FIRING BY NAGA HOSTILES ON A MILITARY SPECIAL TRAIN ON 11-4-63 NEAR NOAJAN STATION

Mr. Speaker: Dr. Singhvi; Shri Yashpal Singh.

Dr. L. M. Singhvi (Jodhpur): Sir, I call the attention of the Minister of Railways to the following matter of

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urgent public importance and I request that he may make a statement thereon—

Reported firing by Naga hostiles on a military special train on 11-4-63 near Noajan station on N.E.F. Railway.

Mr. Speaker: If a Member does not rise, I can pass to the second. If the Minister does not rise, I have no option.

The Minister of Railways (Shri Swaran Singh): Sir, according to the information that is available, I would attempt to give relevant information to the House. Normally 62 Down is a day time train over the affected section, the schedule time being departure at 15.18 and arrival at 15.30. On 9th April, 1963, 62 Down was running 3 hours and 5 minutes late and arrived at Rangapahar at 20.25. The military search light special patrolling the section leaving Dhansiri at 7.45 P.M. arrived at Rangapahar at 7.57. Then 62 Down entered the section Lumding-Rangapahar at 20.25. For providing safety in the Lumding Mariani section, provision had been made both for Army personnel as well as Railway Protection force. Firing took place on search light special on 11-4-63 at 02. But, luckily, no inquiry took place. I was there at Gauhati yesterday and I have had discussion both with the General Manager as well as with the Chief Minister. This section is a particularly bad section. There are particularly two stretches of it, about 15 miles at one stretch and another 20 miles at another place. There is thick jungle on either side. The hostiles are operating there. They have become recently more active. Steps are being taken with the co-operation of the local authorities to intensify security measures. The morale of the Railway personnel is high. It is hoped that essential communications will be maintained.

Dr. L. M. Singhvi: This is a matter of widespread national concern. This has become clear that there has been

perfunctory patrolling, there has been insufficient escort and there has been no intelligence or espionage. This is not only a matter for Railway Administration.

Mr. Speaker: He may put the question.

Dr. L. M. Singhvi: This is a matter for the Home Minister and the Prime Minister to tell us what specific steps in the matter of patrolling, escort and intelligence have been taken to see that these things do not recur and the kind of situation we witness day after day is not repeated. So, I would suggest through you, Sir, that the Prime Minister or the Home Minister may make a statement in respect not only of this particular accident but the situation which surrounds this accident, and also the measures taken to prevent the recurrence of such things?

Shri Swaran Singh: The hon. Member chose to address this calling attention-notice to me....

Dr. L. M. Singhvi: I had addressed it to the Prime Minister.

Shri Swaran Singh:..and if he wants to address it to some other Minister on another matter, he is most welcome to do so. But I have come from there, and we function in close co-operation with each other....

Dr. L. M. Singhvi: The hon. Minister might say what steps are being taken.

Shri Swaran Singh: As regards the situation there, it is true that I had a fairly detailed discussion both with the Chief Minister as well as with his principal executive officers including the Chief Secretary and the Inspector-General of Police. It is a fact that the Naga hostiles have become active in this part which some months earlier also was an affected part and where the hostiles had created trouble earlier.

So, for the time being, the intention is that night-running, particularly, of the passenger trains will be suspended, and we shall run those trains only during the day-time.

So far as patrolling is concerned, already, this precaution is being taken that there is what is called a search-light special which goes ahead and then behind that the normal train follows, and on the train also there is escort. It is true that such measures should be taken, but as regards security, you can well appreciate that we cannot run trains with half the portion occupied by the Army and the police and only half being occupied for transport purposes. The situation is well in hand, and it was on account of these measures that had been taken that although the firing on 11th April, 1963 was there, yet the guards took care and no one was injured.

So, this notice is something....

Dr. L. M. Singhvi: Was any Naga hostile injured or killed or taken by you?

Shri Swaran Singh: No, not to my knowledge.

श्री यशपाल सिंह (कैराना): श्री आम्हो ने बयान दिया है कि नागा हास्टाइल्ज को बहुत बड़ी तादाद में पाकिस्तान से हथियार मिले हैं। क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि इस बारे में सरकार क्या कर रही है कि आईन्दा फायरिंग न हो और इस तरह रेलों को बर्बाद न किया जाये?

श्री स्वर्ण सिंह: दोनों बातों में कोई सम्बन्ध तो नहीं है। उनको हथियार पाकिस्तान को मिले हों या वे और किसी जगह से ले आए हों, लेकिन यह जाहिर है कि हमें कोशिश करना चाहिए और कर रहे हैं कि वे फायरिंग न करें और अगर करें, तो बचाव किया जाये, जैसा कि वहाँ किया गया है। पहले दिन भी जो वाक्या हुआ तो हमारी

तरफ से फायरिंग हुई और उस की वजह से वे भाग गए। दूसरी दफा जब फिर वाक्या हुआ, तो खुशकिस्मती से किसी आदमी को कोई चोट या जरब नहीं लगी।

Shri S. M. Banerjee (Kanpur): May I know whether it is in the knowledge of either the Railway Minister or the Home Minister or the Prime Minister that the arms used by the Naga rebels when they shot at the railway passengers were modern Pakistani weapons as has been disclosed? May I know whether it is true? May I know whether any arms were ceased and found to be Pakistani arms or arms supplied by Pakistan?

The Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs and Minister of Atomic Energy (Shri Jawaharlal Nehru): As a matter of fact, apart from the arms, some of the electric high-tension wire that has been recovered from this place is brand new and it would appear to have been obtained quite recently. About fifty feet have been recovered. Where they got it from I cannot obviously definitely say. We can make our own surmises about it.....

Shri Hem Barua: Mr. Shilu Ao has said that in Delhi that these arms were from Pakistan. He was positive and clear about it.

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: That is all right; that is Mr. Shilu Ao's statement based on his information and surmise; it may be so. I cannot definitely say so. But it would appear that they have been recently obtained from outside. And the hon. Members can exercise their imagination as to where they could have come from. But this new wire is rather significant.

May I add something about that previous accident in which a derailment took place? I stated the other day that the whole train was ransacked by the Naga hostiles and looted. I was wrong, to some extent. What happened was—so we are told—that in the front part of the train, there was a guard of one plus three, that is,

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with some kind of a leader of the group. There was in the latter half of the train another guard of one plus four. When the explosion took place, the front part was upset. There was also firing at the same time. One of these soliders got shot at and the others were injured by the derailment. It was the front part that was ransacked.

Meanwhile, the second guard came out and fired at these people and prevented them coming to the second half of the train. Later these people, the Naga hostiles, retired.

I had promised to inform the House if I had any further information. Thus far, this is the only information we have received. If anything further comes up, I shall take your permission to place it before the House.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: Has any action been taken to protect the life and property of passengers by posting the military there? The Railway Protection Force have failed in this respect.

Mr. Speaker: Shri Hem Barua.

Shri S. M. Banerjee: The Prime Minister was going to reply to me.

Shri Nath Pai (Rajapur): The Speaker has not permitted it.

Shri Hem Barua (Gauhati): On the 8th of April, our Prime Minister told us here that the situation in the Naga hills is well under control. But subsequent events prove that it is not a fact. In view of this and in view of repeated attacks by Naga hostiles even on our military trains and searchlight trains also, what positive steps have Government taken to put down all these hostile activities by the Naga hostiles in order to ensure security to that strategic area, because it is dearing away our defence preparations and defence line also?

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: What I stated on the 4th April was based on

the information we received not only directly, but at the time Shri Shilu Ao was here too; he himself told us this. I do not think that that general appreciation of the situation is necessarily affected by unfortunate incidents; may be, may not be.....

Shri Hem Barua: They are on the increase.

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru. As a matter of fact, these incident that have occurred, to be strictly accurate, occurred not in Nagaland at all; but it is just outside—that area.

Shri Hem Barua: That is the trouble. They have extended the area of their activities.

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: I am not putting that forward as an excuse or anything. I am merely stating a fact, that it is just across the border, towards Dimapur. And obviously there has been this recrudescence of such activities. Whether it is due to obtaining fresh weapons, modern weapons or it is an attempt to rouse up their falling morale, various explanations are there. Anyhow, it has to be met and every effort is being made, and will be made, to meet it.

Shri P. C. Borooah: In view of the fact that the Rangapahar-Naojan area has become the most vulnerable place for Naga hostile activities, and such of these activities have been reported very often from that area have Government any proposal to divert another railway line connecting Nowgong, Jorhat etc. and avoid this hill terrain?

Shri Swaran Singh: Our effort should be to run the trains on that track and provide adequate security. It is not the correct way of approach to say that if we cannot provide enough of cover and security, we should abandon the track and think of something else. It is a vital section. Steps are being taken to strengthen security measures. What was suggested by my friend opposite, Shri Hem Barua,

on the floor of the House is also receiving very urgent consideration, namely, as to whether there should be clearance of jungle.

Shri Hem Barua: I have been saying it during the last six years.

Shri Swaran Singh: I am only supporting that 'I told you so' story. We are now considering very seriously that there should be considerable clearance. As to the steps thereof, it is a matter of detail.

Shri P. C. Borooah: I did not want the line to be abandoned. I only suggested an alternative route.

श्री प्रकाशवीर शास्त्री (विजनौर): प्रतीत ऐसा होता है कि नागा विद्रोहियों की तमाम कार्रवाइयाँ जो एक बार पीछे धीमी पड़ चुकी थीं अब फिर दुबारा उठ रही हैं। अभी नागालैंड के मुख्य मंत्री श्री शीलु आम्बो ने फॉस्टीटयूशन क्लब में भाषण देते हुए यह बताया था कि मुश्किल से दो हजार विद्रोही इस प्रकार के हैं जो नागालैंड में इस प्रकार की गतिविधियों करते हैं और मैं प्रचान मंत्री जी को कुछ इस प्रकार के सुझाव देने जा रहा हूँ कि ये बन्द हो सकें और अगर गवर्नमेंट की पूरी सहायता उनको मिल गई तो इन दो हजार विद्रोहियों पर हम अधिकार प्राप्त कर सकेंगे। मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि उन्होंने अपनी मुलाकात में इस प्रकार के कुछ सुझाव क्या आपको दिये हैं, यदि हाँ तो उनको कार्यान्वित करने के लिए आपकी ओर से क्या आश्वासन उनको दिया गया है?

श्री जवाहरलाल नेहरू: जी हाँ, शीलु आम्बो जी से मेरी मुलाकात दो तीन महीने हुए हैं और पूरे तौर से बातचीत हुई। उन्होंने कुछ सुझाव दिए थे। हमें कमीबेश वे सुझाव मंजूर हैं और उन पर हम अमल करेंगे। लेकिन अमल करने में कुछ वक्त लगता है। इन लोगों को तैयार करना है, नागाओं को खुद। उनको तैयार करने में,

कुछ ट्रेनिंग वगैरह देने में कुछ समय लगता है। लेकिन सुझाव मंजूर है हमें।

Mr. Speaker: Papers to be laid.

Shri Joachim Alva: (Kanara): My friend Shri Hem Barua got up four times. May I be allowed to put one question?

Mr. Speaker: He got only one question. His name is not there. He knows the procedure.

Shri Joachim Alva: But will you allow me one question?

Shri Hem Barua: Is it not a challenge thrown at you, Sir? My name is there. I am entitled to put a question.

Shri M. L. Dwivedi (Hamirpur):
Shri Hem Barua gets time every day.

Mr. Speaker: It was a challenge to me, and I met it successfully!

12:17 hrs.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE
 COTTON TEXTILES (CONTROL) (SECOND
 AMENDMENT) ORDER

The Minister of International Trade in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the Cotton Textiles (Control) (Second Amendment) Order, 1963 published in Notification No. G.S.R. 539 dated the 30th March, 1963 under sub-section (6) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1965. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1114/63].

REPORTS OF INDIAN PRODUCTIVITY TEAM
 ETC.

Shri Manubhai Shah: On behalf of Shri Kanungo, I beg to lay on the Table a copy each of the following papers:

(i) Report of Indian Productivity Team on Iron and Steel Industry in U.S.S.R. and Czechoslovakia. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-1115/63].

(ii) Report of Indian Productivity Team on Textile Industry in