

able to produce more consumer goods instead of the large scale sector doing it ?

SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD : We have reserved certain items to be manufactured only in the small scale sector; there, generally new larger industrial units are not licensed, and as far as possible, we are making all efforts to see that those items are only manufactured and the demands are fulfilled by the articles manufactured in the small scale sector.

SHRI PARIPOORNANAND PAINULI : Sir the hon. Minister has made a reference to cement production. May I know from him as to what is the shortage in cement and whether he is prepared to establish a cement factory in the backward area like Dehra Dun ? A plant was under consideration in the third five year Plan.

SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD : There is a marginal shortage of cement, and there is a proposal also to set up a factory at Dehra Dun.

SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI : I want to have a specific answer to the question as to which are the sectors in the consumer industry which Government propose to take over in the fourth Plan ?

SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD : We have selected certain items about which feasibility reports are being prepared. They include baby food, electric lamp and lamp-making machinery, torch cells, storage batteries, graphite and carbon products and tyres and tubes.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : What about Daida and soap ?

SHRI BHAGWAT JHA AZAD : Government says, in principle it wants to enter the consumer sector also and a list of a few items has been given which is most unimpressive. May I know what is the total percentage of consumer goods being produced in the public sector out of the total production in the country ? Why does not Government enter into those consumer goods where the profit is the highest ?

SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD : I do not have the full figures with me at present.

Setting up of Tractor Factory in Rajasthan

*580. **SHRI SHRIKISHAN MODI :** Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Government have taken any final decision on the letter of intent issued to set up tractor factory in Rajasthan ;

(b) whether this factory will be set up with foreign assistance ; and

(c) if so, the salient features of the scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY) : (a) to (c). The Rajasthan State Agro-Industries Corporation, Jaipur were issued a Letter of Intent on the 9th November, 1970, for the manufacture of 'Renault' (46 HP) Agricultural tractors for a capacity of 5,000 Nos per annum in collaboration with M/s Regie Nationale Renault of France. Subsequently the Corporation informed Government that the collaboration arrangements with M/s Renault could not be finalised to mutual satisfaction and they were accordingly negotiating with other parties. A revised collaboration proposal has now been received from the Corporation and is under examination.

श्री श्रीकृष्ण मोदी : मैं मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या कारपोरेशन ने समझौता न होने का कोई कारण बतलाया है ? कारपोरेशन ने जो प्रपोजल भेजा है वह कब तक फाइनलाइज हो जायेगा ?

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : We have received this proposal very recently and this is under examination. It is very difficult for us to say by what time it will be finalised, because it depends on the terms on which they would like to enter into an agreement.

श्री श्रीकृष्ण मोदी : राजस्थान में सीकर जिला सब से बैकवर्ड एरिया है। वहाँ पर आज छोटे से छोटा भी कोई कारखाना नहीं है। क्या इस जिले के अन्दर यह कारखाना खगाये जाने की कोई योजना हो सकती है ?

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : It is for the Rajasthan Industrial Development Corporation and the Government of Rajasthan to decide where they will set it up.

श्री भार० बी० बड़ै : इस मंत्रालय ने 1970 में राजस्थान स्टेट ऐग्री-इंडस्ट्रीज कारपोरेशन को ट्रैक्टर का कारखाना लगाने की परमिशन दी थी। लेकिन 1972 तक उन का कोई जवाब नहीं आया। इतने दिनों तक जवाब न देने के कारण क्या दूसरे लोगों को इस से बंचित नहीं किया गया है? क्या आपने कोई समय की सीमा रखी है कि इतने दिनों तक रिप्लाई आ जाना चाहिये? क्या इस सम्बन्ध में राजस्थान से आप का कोई ऐसीमेंट हुआ था?

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : I think the hon. member did not listen to me. I said, they entered into an agreement—the letter of intent was given on 9th November 1970—and they entered into an agreement with Renault of France. After some talk and after proceeding with it for some time, they ultimately informed us that this collaboration is not going through. After that, they have come with revised proposals with other parties. Therefore, there is no question of cancellation.

श्री परिपूर्णानन्द वैष्णवी : एक तरफ तो जोत की अधिकतम सीमा घटाने का बर्नमेंट का प्रपोजल है और दूसरी तरफ ट्रैक्टर का कारखाना खोलने की बात है। क्या मंत्री महोदय बतलायेंगे कि इन दोनों बातों में असंगति नहीं होगी?

जम्बल महोदय : यह तो आपकी राय है। मंत्री महोदय इस का क्या जवाब देंगे?

(Interruption).

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY : There is no contradiction about it. First of all, for a small holding, a small tractor can be used and a big tractor can be used by several owners pooling their

resources together in the form of a cooperative or joint farming. I do not see any contradiction in it.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Rethinking on new Industrial Units—Accent on Expansion

*561. SHRI BAKSI NAYAK : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to a report appearing in the *Economic Times* dated the 28th February, 1972 under the caption "Rethinking on new Units—Accent on Expansion"; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) While it has always been the Government's endeavour to allow maximum utilisation of existing manufacturing capacities in the country, the Government decision to allow substantial expansion or setting up of new industrial undertakings in different industries would, subject to its overall socio-economic policy, vary from industry to industry depending on the stage of development of the industry in the country, regional dispersal of the production of items of mass consumption to facilitate easy distribution, and the need for introducing competition, accelerating economic growth and preventing concentration of economic power.

Masani Committee Recommendation on Staff Reorganisation

*563. SHRI MUHAMMED SHERIFF : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the revised scales recommended by the Masani Committee on staff reorganisation differ in some cases from those announced by Government ; and

(b) if so, the broad outlines thereof ?