

SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI :
The survey has been done for Miraj-Londa, Goa-Hampet and Londa-Hospet.

एक्या ज्वादा कर्षं होगा, फिर भी उस का सर्वे करवाया जा रहा है।

SHRI P. R. SHENOY : What about Bangalore?

Furnace Oil used by Ships Calling at Indian Ports

SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI :
That has not been done.

*343. **SHRI SHRIKISHAN MODI :**
Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

MR. SPEAKER : You asked for survey first and then you ask for extension also at the same time.

(a) whether country's valuable and limited furnace oil supplies are being siphoned out by bunker hungry ships calling at Indian ports; and

SHRI ANNASAHAB GOTKHINDE :
In view of the fact that this particular line connects north India to south India via western India, may I know whether the Ministry is eager to consider implementing this project in the Fifth Plan period itself?

(b) if so, steps taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI D. K. BOROOAH) : (a) No Sir.

SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI :
A final decision can be taken only after the survey report is considered.

(b) (i) Bunker prices have been increased suitably to bring them at a comparable level, with the prices prevailing at adjacent ports.

श्री जगन्नाथ राव जोशी : पिछले साल के मंत्र म मैंने यही सवाल किया था और आज जो जवाब दिया वही जवाब पिछली बार भी दिया गया था। दूसरे उन्होंने कहा कम से कम तीन महीने लगेगे लेकिन 6 महीने हो गए। तो बिल्कुल वही जवाब जवाब दिया है। इसलिए मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि यह लाइन ब्राइंग करने समय रास्ते में जो महत्वपूर्ण स्थान है जैसे गोकक है उनको छोड़कर जान का क्या विचार है ? आखिर लाइन बिछाने समय साधारण क्या रहता है ? अग्रजों का साधारण या कुछ बूजनेट आक मिलाने और आज साधारण है लोगों की मुश्किल। क्या जब लोग बेराब करे, गड़बड़ करे नहीं लाइन जायेगी ? आखिर गोकक की जनता को न कहने का क्या साधारण है ?

(ii) When the situation so demands, arrangements have been made to supply minimum bunkers to the ships just sufficient to carry them upto the next port of their call.

श्री श्रीकृष्ण जोशी : विदेशी जहाजों को किन्ती कीमत पर फर्नेस-ऑयल देने के बारे में विचार किया गया है तथा इन कम्पनियों की इन के बारे में क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ? जब हमारे जहाज दूसरे विदेशी बन्दरगाहों से गुजरते तो क्या उन को भी इसी किस्म की कटिनाई महसूस होगी ?

SHRI D. K. BOROOAH : The prices charged by the foreign countries in their ports of call have been increased and brought to the level of the international rates based on the price of the crude. So, we have also increased the prices to the same level. Whatever inconveniences other countries ships suffer in our ports, naturally our ships will also suffer the same kind of inconveniences in regard to the availability of furnace oil in their ports.

श्री कुल्लुभव सक्ते डुरेसो : जोशी जी ने आखिर से जो बात कही है उस का तो बे करवा ही रहे है, लेकिन उस से फायदा नहीं होगा है। मैंने अपने जवाब में कहा है कि गोकक लाइन के बारे में हम कमीटर कर रहे है, इस पर 3 करोड़

जी जीकिसन बोरी: बिदेसी जहाजों को भारतीय बन्दरगाहों पर बड़े हुए बन्दों पर फॉस आयस देने से कितनी बिदेसी मुद्रा अर्जित होगी। क्या इस से कोई अतिरिक्त आय होगी, यदि हाँ, तो कितनी? जो अतिरिक्त आय होगी क्या इसको टेन के संसाधनों पर खर्च करने की व्यवस्था है यदि है, तो उस का क्या व्यौरा है?

जी बेशकान्त बरुवा: बिदेसी मुद्रा का हमें कुछ भी लाभ नहीं होता है, क्योंकि जितने दाम पर ऋण लेते हैं, उसी दाम पर बेचते हैं। लेकिन यह देखा गया है कि इन घायल की कम्पनियों की साल में 18 करोड़ रुपये की आयवनी बढ़ेगी, लेकिन हम ने फॉरेन-एक्सचेंज की कुछ भी गुंजाइश नहीं है। हम के लिए उन को कहा गया है कि वे हम रकम को "वास्त एण्ड ग्रेट एडवन्समेंट एकाउन्ट" में रखें।

Taking over of Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation

*344 SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU. Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether West Bengal Government have sought the sanction of his Ministry to take over the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation with immediate effect; and

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU : There is a Press report that the Government of India has advised the Government of West Bengal not to take any decision on the proposed take-over of the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation and a Minister of West Bengal said that the State had proposed the immediate take-over of the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation which is a British monopoly concern but that the Centre wanted them to wait.

Thirdly, the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation produces only a part of its built-in capacity and its machinery is very old. Also in reply to one of my questions, the Minister has said:

"Certain proposals relating to the promulgation of an ordinance to enable the taking over of the management of the private licensee undertaking have been made by the West Bengal Government and are being examined."

So, will the hon. Minister kindly tell us as to what the latest position is and why in this vital sector they are allowing a foreign monopoly to operate and repatriate huge profits every year?

SHRI K C PANT : Actually, the West Bengal Government told us that they do not contemplate taking over of the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU : This is a press report.

SHRI K C PANT : You are welcome to press it, but I am giving an authoritative version. They said that they did not contemplate the taking over of the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation at the present moment. This is the definite information that they have sent to us. It may be an old undertaking. But by and large it is functioning reasonably efficiently. I have got the figures of the capacity, generation attained, etc. It is working reasonably well. As for the ordinance for take-over of the management, a proposal was received from the State Government but it was not specifically for the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation. This is what I wanted to make clear to the hon. Member.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU : My second question is this. Generation of power is a vital matter. As far as I know, as per the Industrial policy resolution it must remain in the public sector. The Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation