

with me. There is a feeling that the Tribal Youth Welfare Association, which I have mentioned in the main reply, organised this public meeting demanding that it will be better if the evacuees stayed in the camp. This is at the root of their call for *hartal* in this meeting.

SHRI H. M. PATEL : In view of the definite statement by Mr Guha that his source of information was the Chief Minister of Meghalaya himself, would the Minister consider putting the fact again to the Government of Meghalaya and Assam ?

MR. SPEAKER : This is reply from the Government of Meghalaya and Assam.

SHRI H. M. PATEL : It may be one thing from the Government but Shri Guha says that his source is the Chief Minister.

MR. SPEAKER : You are a very senior retired officer, Can you think that they are different ?

Tribal Programmes of A.I.R. Stations

*1683. **SHRI TUNA ORAON :** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Tribal Programmes broadcast over different All India Radio Stations are presented for short duration and only once in a week ; and

(b) whether Government received any representation to increase the time and number of days for these programmes and, if so, whether this has been considered and accepted ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY) : (a) A statement giving information about special programmes for listeners in the Tribal areas which are broadcast from different stations of All India Radio is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-88/71].

(b) Several suggestions to increase the duration and frequency of these programmes have been received at different stations. Whenever time and resources permit, these suggestions have been accepted. This can be done on a bigger scale only when we are able to establish new stations especially for the tribal areas.

SHRI TUNA ORAON : May I know whether it is a fact that only non-Tribals are given the chance for giving talks ; if so, why Tribals are not given a chance ?

SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY : Is it not a fact. We try our best to get artistes from among the Tribal people themselves but when it is not possible to get anybody from any particular Tribal area or Tribal dialect, we get some other people.

SHRI SUBODH HANSDA : West Bengal and Bihar are densely populated by the Tribal people, mostly by the Santhals, the Mundas and the Oraons. From the statement it appears that the broadcast from the Calcutta station is only for 15 minutes and the frequency is only weekly. At Ranchi also it appears that the duration is 5 to 7 minutes in certain dialects. I would like to know from the hon. Minister as to what purpose is served by giving only 5 to 7 minutes and 15 minutes in a week for broadcasts.

SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY : The duration of programmes for the Santhal areas is very small, particularly from the Calcutta and Ranchi stations. Even though we want to increase the duration, it is not possible because there are so many other dialects and those stations have to cater to so many different types of people. Still, we are trying to strengthen Ranchi, station and, I hope, we will be able to cater to the Santhal listeners more.

श्री हुकम चन्द कल्लुवाय : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं आपके माध्यम से मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ कि अनुसूचित जातियों की जन जातियों प्रायः करीब-करीब सभी प्रदेशों में पाई जाती हैं और चूंकि आकाशवाणी के विभिन्न केन्द्रों से प्रसारित किये जाने वाले जन-जाति सम्बन्धी कार्यक्रमों का समय बहुत कम होता है और वह संतोषजनक नहीं होता है तो क्या उनकी संस्कृति, धर्म, भाषा और गीत आदि सम्बन्धी कार्यक्रमों को संतोषजनक रीति से अधिक मात्रा में सुनाये जाने पर विचार करेंगे ताकि उनमें विकास लाया जा सके और क्या मंत्री महोदय यह भी आवश्यक समझते हैं कि उनके लिए कोई विशेष किसम अनाकर

उनके क्षेत्रों में दिखाया जाय ताकि उन्हें आशुति पैदा हो ?

SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY : This is about radio programmes. I do not know what the hon. Member means by saying that special films should be made on these people.

श्री हुकूम खन्द् बख्शबाय : मैंने पूछा था कि उनकी अपनी भाषा, अपने कल्चर और उनके अपने गीत आदि रेडियो पर जो सुनाने का कार्यक्रम है कि वह मन्तोपजनक नहीं है और वह कम है इसलिए क्या उसे अधिक मात्रा में सुनाया जायगा ..

अध्यक्ष महोदय : माननीय सदस्य मेरी भी तरफ देख लिया करे वरना अगर वह इसी तरह से बिना बुलाये बोलते जायेंगे तो उनकी सम्झ में वह नहीं आयेगा ।

श्री हुकूम खन्द् बख्शबाय : मेरे प्रश्न का पहला भाग तो रेडियो कार्यक्रमों में उनके वास्ते विशेष रूप से अधिक समय देने व उमें मन्तोप-जनक बनाने के बारे था क्योंकि अभी जो रेडियो पर उनके वास्ते कार्यक्रम होता है वह ठीक प्रकार से नहीं होता है बाकी फिल्म की बात तो मेरे प्रश्न के बाविर मे थी ।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : मंत्री महोदय द्वारा हाउस में पहले जवाब दिया जा चुका है ।

SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY : I do not know which Tribal programme the hon. Member has listened to and which Tribal dialect he understands. We are having programmes for the Tribal areas but, as another hon. Member has pointed out, the programme is not sufficient. We have got programmes to have radio stations in different Tribal areas. In the Fourth Plan we have got some programme. Also, we want to increase the radio stations and facilities to broadcast to these Tribal areas.

श्री नाथू राम अहिरवार : मध्य प्रदेश में भी काफी आदिवासी रहते हैं । उसी तरह से हैं बिहार तरह से दूसरे प्रान्तों में देश के हैं । जिस

प्रकार आप बिहार और बंगाल में रेडियो स्टेशनों के द्वारा उनकी भाषा, संस्कृति, साहित्य आदि का प्रचार करते हैं और इन कार्यक्रमों का प्रसारण करते हैं, उसी तरह से क्या मध्य रेडियो स्टेशनों से भी ऐसा प्रोग्राम आपने चालू किया है ?

SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY : For Madhya Pradesh, we have it already in Rewa and Chatarpur and we purpose to— though they are not specially meant for tribal areas—to have programmes for the tribal areas from these stations. Along with that we are setting up stations in Jagdalpur and Ambikapur.

श्री नाथू राम अहिरवार : छत्तरपुर में चालू नहीं हुआ है ।

श्रीमती नन्दिनी सतपथी : चालू होगा ।

SHRI JAGANATH RAO : Jeypore is a satellite station and, at present, the coverage of these items is 15 minutes. May I know from the Government whether they have got any programme to educate the tribal people by holding some discussions and talks by these tribal people so that a sense of belonging could be created in them ?

SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY . Jeypore station caters to the tribal people of Korapur district mainly. We have in the Fourth Plan the intention to increase the transmitter power of Jeypore station from 10KW to 20 KW. Along with that, we want to make it a full-fledged station.

Location of Headquarters of Electronics Commission

*1684. **SHRI S. C. SAMANTA :** Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the headquarters of the Electronics Commission and the Department of Electronics will be located outside Delhi ; and

(b) the Public Relations and Press Informations arrangements made by the Electronics Commission ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) The headquarters of the Electronics Commission and the Department of Electronics are at Bombay and Delhi respectively.