

SHRI SHI YAMNANDAN MISHRA :

I have a very basic question to ask. Two mills were licensed by the Government within a distance of about 10 to 12 miles. One mill happens to be at Samastipur and the other at Hayaghat. There is some responsibility of the Central Government in this matter because it had licensed these mills. They must have gone into the soundness of the projects. If they find that these projects have not proved to be sound, is not the responsibility cast on the Government to see that these mills run? Or, should they not overtake the mills as they have done in the case of textiles.

SHRI MOINU L HAQUE CHOU-DHURY : As I have said, even under the law passed by Parliament, namely, the Industrial (Development & Regulation) Act, before taking over a mill, whether sick or mismanaged, Government has to investigate and look into its economics. As I said, it is a ten-tonne mill closed in 1965. Its economics are not in our favour (*Interruption*) I am not answering to-day about Ashok Paper Mill about which a separate question may be put. I am answering about Thakur Paper Mill. It is a ten tonne mill closed in 1965. It cannot be run economically. Therefore, the Government cannot take it over. If any local party comes forward to purchase it in the High Court auction, he is welcome to do so and we are certainly ready to give every possible help. But, that cannot be the reason for the Government to take it over.

SHRI SHYAMNANDAN MISHRA : Make it larger and economical.

MR. SPEAKER : Shri Onkar Lal Berwa absent. Shri Vishwanath Pratap Singh-absent. Dr. Laxminarain Pandey.

TV Stations for Bombay and Calcutta

*672. **DR. LAXMI NARAIN PANDEY :** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) by when the proposed TV stations at Bombay and Calcutta are expected to go under operation; and

(b) the area expected to be covered by these stations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY) : (a) Bombay TV Station is expected to be commissioned in October, 1972 and Calcutta TV Station in March 1974.

(b) Coverage of Bombay TV Station including the relay Station at Poona will be 36,500 sq. kms. Coverage of Calcutta TV Station will be 18000 sq. kms

डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पांडेय : अध्यक्ष जी, मैं जानना चाहूंगा कि कलकत्ता में जो टी. वी. केन्द्र 1974 तक चालू होने वाला है उसमें इतना विलम्ब लगने का क्या कारण है, और बम्बई का जो केन्द्र अक्टूबर 1972 तक चालू होने वाला है वह अपनी निर्धारित अवधि में ही चालू हो रहा है अथवा उसमें विलम्ब हो रहा है ? दोनों में विलम्ब होने के क्या कारण हैं ?

SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY . It took some time to get the site at Calcutta. There was correspondence between the Calcutta Corporation and the Government of India. Ultimately, it was decided and we got the site at Calcutta. Even after that, now the Chief Minister of West Bengal has offered another site. The site which was earlier selected was in Victoria Park. The Chief Minister of West Bengal wants to change it to some other site in Tollygunge but that has to be looked into again. But the work is going on with regard to other formalities and procedural things. We are going ahead in that respect

As far as the Bombay TV station is concerned, the work is going on according to schedule and it is going to be commissioned, as I have already said, almost by the beginning or middle of October.

SHRI DARBARA SINGH : What about Amritsar ?

डा० लक्ष्मीनारायण पांडेय : मान्यवर, मैं यह जानना चाहूंगा कि बम्बई का केन्द्र 36,500 स्क्वायर किलोमीटर तक प्रसारण कर सकेगा और कलकत्ता के केन्द्र से 18,000 स्क्वायर किलोमीटर तक प्रसारण हो सकेगा,

और दिल्ली से भी कुछ क्षेत्रों में प्रसारण हो रहा है, मैं जानना चाहता हूँ कि देश के अन्य भागों में सभी स्थानों पर टी. वी. का लाभ मिल सके ऐसी कोई आपकी योजना है? और यदि है तो समस्त देश को उस योजना का कब तक लाभ मिल सकेगा?

SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY : I think the hon. Member is aware of the fact that, besides the Calcutta and Bombay TV stations, some other TV stations are also coming up during the Fourth Five Year Plan—one in Srinagar and the other in Madras. The Bombay station will have a relay station in Poona. Similarly, the Calcutta station will have its relay station in Durgapur-Asansol which will cover some part of Midnapore and Kharagpur and a major part of Bankura district... (Interruptions)

With the expansion of the Delhi TV Station... (Interruptions) we are planning to have a relay station in Mussooree and a major part of that area will be covered. As the hon. Members are aware, we are trying our best but due to the paucity of resources, it is not possible to cover the entire country by TV immediately. It has to be done phase by phase and in the Fifth Plan we are planning to have more stations in different parts of the country. As we are planning, I think, within the next few years all the State capitals are going to have TV stations.

SHRI RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA: The Minister of Information and Broadcasting informed this House earlier that a TV station is coming up in Amritsar. In consequence of that, many people in Amritsar, Gurdaspur, Jullundur and Ferozepore purchased TV sets, and now they are open to Pakistani propaganda. In view of this fact, may I know from the Minister when a TV station at Amritsar is coming up?

SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY : We are going to have TV station at Amritsar, this is going to be commissioned in August-September of this year. That will transmit the programmes from Delhi.

SHRI M. S. SANJEEVI RAO : The world famous missile and rocket expert Dr. Brown stated in a conference in Berlin that India is going to launch an earth satellite

for coverage of television to serve the entire country. I want to know from the Minister whether it is a fact. If so, may I know whether they are going to put the earth satellite by 1974?

MR. SPEAKER : The question relates only to Bombay and Calcutta but the scope of the question is being extended to cover the whole country. We pass on to the next question.

श्री ईश्वर चौधरी : यह बम्बई और कलकत्ता के लिए टेलीविज़न केन्द्र चालू करने के बारे में है लेकिन मैं पूरे विश्व को खुश करने के लिए प्रश्न करता हूँ क्योंकि सारे विश्व का ध्यान हमारे बौद्ध गया पर लगा है और सारे बौद्धिक पर्यटक वहाँ पर आते हैं तो मैं मंत्री महोदय से यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या बौद्ध गया में कोई टेलीविज़न केन्द्र भी खोलने की सरकार की योजना है, यदि नहीं, तो इसे भी अवश्य शामिल कर लिया जाय?

अध्यक्ष महोदय : मंत्री महोदय अगर इस बारे में कुछ बतला सकते हैं तो बतला दें।

SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY : I share the sentiments of the hon. Member. In the Fourth Five-year Plan it is not possible to cover that place. We hope to do it in the next plans. We are doing it in a phased manner and we will definitely keep this place in mind.

Activities of C.I.A. in India

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*673. **SHRI BHARAT SINGH CHOWHAN;**
SHRI K. MALLANNA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that the C.I.A. had a vast intelligence net-work in India;

(b) if so, whether Government of India have inquired into the activities of this agency and if so, with what results; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to stop the activities of C.I.A. in India?