

देहाती क्षेत्रों के विकास के प्रश्न को विशेष रूप से महत्व दिया जा रहा है। इस दृष्टिकोण से मैं माननीय प्रधान मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूँ कि हमारे पहाड़ी क्षेत्रों के सम्बन्ध में, जो पिछड़े क्षेत्रों में भी अधिक पिछड़े हैं, प्राय योजना प्रायोग के मामलें क्या दिशा रख रहे हैं ?

श्री मोरारजी देसाई : पर्वतीय क्षेत्र कई प्रदेशों में हैं और हर एक प्रदेश में इन पर काम होना है, सिर्फ केन्द्र से ही काम नहीं हो सकता है, काम जो होना है, वह बड़ा होना है। वहाँ जो काम उन के विकास के लिये होगा, उस में केन्द्र मदद करेगा, पैसे से, मलाह से या जो भी मदद चाहिये, वह हम जरूर करेंगे, लेकिन इस की योजना वहाँ ही बननी चाहिये, वहाँ बनती भी है, हमारे पास आती भी है और प्राय भी प्रायगी—ऐसी अपेक्षा हम करते हैं।

डा० कर्ण सिंह : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मार्वाजनिक जीवन में पर्वतों का विशेष महत्व है। कालीदास ने कुमार-सम्भव में एक श्लोक में कहा है—

अस्तुतस्या दिशिदेवतात्मा हिमालयानम्  
नागाधिगजः

पूर्वापरौ : तार्यनिधीवगाहय स्थित  
पृथिव्या इव मानदण्डः ।

हिमालय पूर्व से पश्चिम तक फैला हुआ है, उस ने हम देश की सभ्यता में विशेष योगदान दिया है। मैं प्रधान मंत्री जी से यह प्रश्न पूछना चाहता हूँ—जहाँ अलग-अलग राज्य अपने पर्वतीय क्षेत्रों के विकास के सम्बन्ध में अपनी-अपनी योजनाएँ बनायेंगे, वहाँ क्या अब यह आवश्यक नहीं है कि केन्द्र की ओर से, योजना-प्रायोग की ओर से, पर्वतीय क्षेत्रों का एक ऐसा सर्वेक्षण हो—क्योंकि यहाँ बहुत धन-दौलत है, लेकिन लोग सब में गरीब और पिछड़े हुए हैं—उस लिये ऐसा योजना बनाई जाये जो राज्य सरकारों की योजनाओं के अतिरिक्त केन्द्र की ओर से पर्वतीय क्षेत्रों

के विकास के लिये कोई विस्तृत योजना हो ? क्या प्रधान मंत्री जी इस पर विचार करेंगे ?

श्री मोरारजी देसाई : मैंने यह कहा है कि इस पर जरूर विचार करेंगे।

SHRI JAGANNATH SHARMA: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state what is the plan strategy for the development of the hill states. What is the plan allocation in the last Plan and in this Plan?

श्री मोरारजी देसाई : यह प्रश्न तो इस सं उपस्थित नहीं होता।

Baveja Committee Report on Haldia

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\*306. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU:

SHRI ROBIN SEN:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Baveja Committee set up by the Shipping and Transport Ministry in July, 1971 unanimously recommended in March, 1973, that a shipyard be immediately set up at Haldia;

(b) if so, why Government have not implemented the scheme as yet;

(c) the main recommendations contained in the Report of Baveja Committee;

(d) whether this Report was made available to the Government of West Bengal; and

(e) if not, why not?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI CHAND RAM): (a) to (e). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) The working Group set up under the Chairmanship of Shri Baveja, had

considered Haldia as a suitable location for a Shipyard and recommended its selection for the purpose. The report was received in March, 1973.

(b) In the meantime suggestions were received from several quarters including various Maritime State Governments for setting up of Shipyards in their States. A Techno-economic Working Group was set up to evaluate both on technical and economic considerations the sites proposed by States Governments including Haldia. Based on the report of the Techno-economic Working Group Consultants were commissioned for the preparation of Preliminary Project Reports and the Consultants did not consider Haldia the best location for a Shipyard.

(c) The main recommendations of the Working Group are that there is a clear case for the establishment of at least one shipyard and even two more shipyards during the Fifth Plan. Haldia qualifies itself as a suitable location for such a shipyard, and may be selected for the purpose. The proposed Shipyard may be designed to cater for the construction of Tankers, Bulk carriers, etc. upto a size of approximately one lakh GRT (1.5 lakh DWT). A special Project team may be set up to undertake a comprehensive Project Report.

(d) No Sir.

(e) The Working Group was set up by the Government of India and no action was required to be taken by the State Government on the Report.

**SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU:** Sir, it is a matter of regret that although Baveja Committee had clearly stated in their report that Haldia was a suitable place—in this context, I want to say that we want a shipyard in Orissa also, they have recommended for two—the answer here is in the affirmative for the following reasons.

1. It is within the reasonable distance from practically all the steel mills so far built.

This is a most important criterion.

2. Calcutta and its hinterland constitute an area of heavy, medium and light industries which are fully established. The proximity of sources of production of brought out items like machinery, equipment and fittings are thus fully assured.

“Haldia port is a satellite deep water port of Calcutta having been developed as a major outlet for the export trade.”

Emanating from the eastern region, the requisite transport network has to be developed.

It has been clearly stated by them that though there are several problems, that cannot be *prima facie* considered as a disqualification for finding any location in any manner. I agree with that part. Now, in that context. I would like the hon. Minister to tell the House as to why has the Government not proceeded to start this ship building yard in Haldia and why is it that although West Bengal Government had asked for the copy of this report, they have not yet given it to them?

**SHRI CHAND RAM:** Sir, the position is very simple that the Baveja Committee investigated only one site. That was charged with the duty of Haldia. About Haldia, Baveja Committee submitted that it is a suitable site. It was considered as a suitable site only by Baveja Committee. Later on, there was a techno-economic Group.

**SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU:** Say techno-economic scuttling group.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Please allow him to reply.

**SHRI CHAND RAM:** That Group also included Haldia as one of the sites. Later on we engaged foreign consultants. The Baveja Committee was a non-technical committee. According to the PPR submitted by the

foreign consultants it is commended that Haldia is not a suitable site as compared to other sites. We have no objection to supply the Baweja Committee report but it was a non-technical Committee. This Working Group was set-up by Government of India and no action was required to be taken by the State Government. Therefore it was not proper for us to submit the report to the State Government.

SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: Sir, I want your permission to lay the Baweja Committee report on the Table of the House on one of these days.

Sir, what the hon'ble Minister has said is not quite correct. The Third Group was constituted with the motive of scuttling the well-established project report that Haldia was one of the most suitable places for establishing a ship-building yard. I draw the attention of the hon'ble Minister to Chapter VIII para 8(i). I quote:

"The Group has considered carefully whether Haldia or its vicinity is suited from the technical economic angles for the location of a shipyard and has come to an affirmative conclusion for the purpose set-forth in Chapter VIII (para 8.1) *prima facie* Gangra & Bedur represent sites in the vicinity of Haldia where a shipyard can be set-up but the selection of a site must be left to a full time project organisation who could be expected to investigate and evaluate all possible sites in that area. Considering all relevant factor, it would appear desirable to plan the new shipyard at Haldia on the basis of an initial target capacity of 2,00,000 GRT with the maximum size of ships set at 1,00,000 GRT.... etc. etc."

Sir, I am once again saying that the Third Group was set-up with a motive to scuttle the earlier two reports which in positive and clear language and with full enough logic behind it

suggested that the shipyard should be set-up at Haldia. Sir, the Minister must give an assurance to the House that of the two shipyards recommended by this Committee one should go to Orissa and the other to Haldia.

SHRI CHAND RAM: Sir, it concerns the previous government. The previous government may have scuttled it, I do not know. That report had been obtained before this Government took over. Therefore, it is not for us to revert that procedure. If you permit I will quote.

MR. SPEAKER: No. No. You may lay it on the Table of the House if you like.

SHRI KRISHNA CHANDRA HALDER: Mr. Jyotirmoy Bosu has quoted the relevant portion of the second report. Sir, the present Janata Government are revising many policies of the last Government. In the present situation may I ask whether the Government is ready to re-consider the old decision... and whether they will set up a new ship-building yard at Haldia as soon as possible?

MR. SPEAKER: The same question, he has already answered.

SHRI CHAND RAM: Sir, in fact when this Baweja Committee was set up to give recommendations on the feasibility of ship building complex at Haldia, it was expected that this project would provide employment to many unemployed people. And the present Government is of the view that suitable complex should be set up at Haldia. We have already promised that instead of ship building yard, we should set up a ship repairing yard and that would provide more employment opportunities to the people in that area than a ship building yard itself.

श्री अनन्त बबे: मैं माननीय मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या नेशनल शिपिंग बोर्ड ने अपनी रिपोर्ट सरकार को भेज दी है ?

यदि हाँ, तो उसमें कौन-कौन से शिपिंग यार्ड बनाने के लिये रिकमैण्ड किया है ? साथ ही मैं यह भी जानना चाहता हूँ . . . . .

MR. SPEAKER: You put an independent question. It is a question relating to ship building at Haldia.

श्री अनन्त दवे : मिनिस्टर साहब ने अपने रिप्लाइ में भी बताया है कि —

In the meantime, suggestions were received from several hon. Members including various maritime State Governments for setting up ship building yards in those States.

कई गवर्नमेंट्स ने अपने-अपने प्रदेशों में शिपयार्ड बनाने के लिये प्रपोजल भेजे हैं । क्या गुजरात ने भी हिजरा में शिपयार्ड बनाने का प्रपोजल भेजा है ।

श्री चांद राम : नेशनल शिपिंग बोर्ड ने दो साइट्स के बारे में कहा है—एक तो पेरादीप उड़ीसा में और दूसरा हिजरा गुजरात में इस रिपोर्ट से पहिले ही हम इन दो साइट्स के बारे में विचार कर रहे हैं । हमने इनके बारे में ग्लोबल टेंडर्स मंगाये हैं ।

SHRI PRASANNBHAI MEHTA: Sir, the hon. Minister has just now stated that the National Shipbuilding Corporation has recommended two sites one at Paradip and the other at Hijra. Keeping this in view, I would like to know from the hon. Minister when the decision on this will be finalise

SHRI CHAND RAM: Sir, as I have stated, we have invited global tenders till the 15th of April and after that the Consultants would be submitting a D. P. R. and thereafter a decision will be taken.

### Export of Crockery

\*307, SHRI R. K. MHALGI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the crockery units registered and duly licensed have been exporting their products;

(b) their production during 1977;

(c) the exports during 1977;

(d) whether any imports of crockery have been made during 1977; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) A few registered/licensed crockery units are exporting their products.

(b) The total production of crockery of the registered/licensed units in the country during 1977 was about 17,150 tonnes valued at about Rs. 970 lakhs.

(c) Exports of crockery during 1976-77 was 268 tonnes valued at Rs. 11.50 lakhs.

(b) and (d). Only sophisticated and special designs of crockery is imported. Imports of crockery during 1976-77 (April, 1976 to January, 1977) were 5 tonnes valued at Rs. 0.6 lakhs.

SHRI R. K. MHALGI: Sir, as per my information, there are 13 crockery units registered with the Government with an annual capacity of 34,000 tonnes. Further, the production during the year 1977, as informed by the hon. Minister in his reply, was about 17,150 tonnes and the export during 1977 was about 268 tonnes. May I know whether the government have looked into the difficulties of the domestic industries? What are the reasons for production falling short of installed capacity and scanty export of the goods which are produced in small as well as medium scale industries?

SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: The hon. Member is right in regard to installed capacity and production figures.