

all the consumers in the Gujarat area so that our gas does not go waste. At present, more than 5 million cubic metres of gas is burnt.

SHRI GHULAM RASOOL MATTO:
That was my point.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Next Question.
Question No. 387.

*387. [The Questioner (Shrimati Bijoya Chakravarty) was absent. For answer vide 37 infra]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question No.
388.

Supply of indigenous part for Maruti car by the local manufacturers

*388. SHRI DHULESHWAR
MEENA:
SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP
SINGH:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Maruti Udyog Limited has started using pumps manufactured by Rico Auto Industries Limited for their Maruti cars;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) what are the names of the companies which are 'supplying indigenous parts to Maruti Udyog Limited and whether a number of complaints have been received from the dealers as well as from the owners of Maruti cars to effect that there are major defects in the parts supplied by the local manufacturers;

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to maintain the quality of the vehicle; and

(e) whether it is also a fact that during the recent monsoons there have been lea-

†The question was actually asked on the floor of the House Shri Bir Bhadra Pratap Singh.

kages in the Maruti vehicles and if so, what steps have been taken to rectify the faults?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO) (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

At present Maruti is obtaining indigenous parts from about 360 vendors whose names are given in the Annexure. (See Appendix CXLVII Annexing 127) Maruti cars have been well received in the market. There have been some complaints about the quality of a few indigenous parts including some complaints about water leakages during the recent monsoons. These are¹ being attended to by Maruti Udyog Ltd. and their vendors for rectification and maintenance of quality standards.

SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Sir, I have always stood for indigenisation and this is a welcome step. But indigenisation does not mean fall in standards and quality and it is all the more serious when we have a product like the Maruti which we wanted to provide at a cheaper cost. May I know from the honourable Minister what precautions he is going to take against those vendors for selling spurious or duplicate parts?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, we are maintaining a high quality equal to the imported ones from Japan and for this, we have appointed a Committee to check up the quality of the indigenous parts.

SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Sir, probably the honourable Minister does not follow the question in the spirit in which I put it to him. So far we had been importing from Japan and it is all right and there was no complaint about the quality of those parts that were available. But the general complaint now is that the parts that we manufacture here in India are not good though I am glad that about sixty per

cent parts are Indian parts. My question is very simple. You have appointed these 360 vendors. I want to know whether you are getting manufactured the parts according to the standards that you have laid down. I understand that those vendors are selling spurious or duplicate parts. What measures or steps are you going to take to ensure that the parts to be sold through these 360 vendors are genuine parts?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: At present the indigenisation of the Maruti car is up to 80 per cent. I may inform the House that these 363 companies or units are supplying the parts. For quality control we have appointed a Division and the General Manager of that Division is a person who has worked with the General Motors of the U.S.A. for 20 years. Therefore, there is a division to check up quality control.

SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH Sir my learned Minister does not learn anything or forget anything. I am sorry to say that the question has not been answered. My question is as to how spurious parts are permitted to be sold in the market. That is the basic question.

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: I can assure the hon. Member that we are not purchasing spurious parts.

श्री बिठ्ठलराव माधवराव जाधव : सभापति महोदय, मैं आपके माध्यम से मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ कि मारुति उद्योग इस देश के सार्वजनिक उद्योगों में एक बहुत ही महत्वपूर्ण उद्योग है मगर अभी कुछ सुनने में आ रहा है कि मारुति उद्योग में कोई एक जनरल मैनेजर जो 5 साल के लिए परमानेंट है, आफ्टर, रिटायरमेंट नियुक्त करने के बाद मारुति उद्योग में दो सौ-तीन सौ कारों के स्पेयर बाजार में विक्री हो गए और वहाँ के कामगारों में बहुत बड़ा असंतोष भड़क रहा है और यह भी सुना जा रहा है कि अगर ऐसी ही परिस्थिति रही तो मारुति उद्योग की जो क्वालिटी है आज हमारे देश में वह थोड़े ही दिन में खतम होने जा रही है। उसके सिवाय और भी बहुत सी बातें हैं कि जो नीचे

अच्छे-अच्छे आफिसर हैं उनको बदला जा रहा है क्योंकि उनका जो इन्टरस्ट है वह सेफ-गार्ड नहीं कर पाते। क्या यह सच है कि मारुति उद्योग में डिटिरियोरेशन शुरू हो चुका है और अच्छे पार्ट्स खतम होते जा रहे हैं और उसमें काफी चोरियाँ भी होती जा रही हैं और आफिसरों को भी हूस किया जा रहा है? मैं मंत्री महोदय से जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या यह सच है और अगर सच है तो क्या कदम उठाए गए हैं? क्योंकि मेरे पास जो मारुति कार है उसकी कन्जम्प्शन 12-13 से ज्यादा नहीं आ रही है जो कि कहा गया कि 20-21 किलोमीटर होगी।

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, I cannot answer his first question about the harassment of officers. I will be able to answer it if you permit a specific question about it. About the fuel inefficiency, if he sends me a complaint, I will ask them to test his vehicle.

SHRI VITHAL RAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Sir, my question has not been answered. It is very much relevant to this question. The hon. Minister should reply to this question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You are asking about the General Manager, The question is about the spare parts.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: The question is about the mismanagement in management. Is the General Manager or anybody else held responsible for it?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, this unit has been earning profit since the first year onwards. It has declared 5 per cent dividend also. How can you say that it is a bad unit?

श्री बिठ्ठलराव माधवराव जाधव : सर, कहो कुछ, करो कुछ—ऐसा चल रहा है। मैं कुछ पूछ रहा हूँ और मंत्री जी क्या जवाब दे रहे हैं।

SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: The basic concept behind launching this Maruti Car

Project was to provide a people's car a fuel efficient car, a cheap car and a good car. Now all these objectives with which this project was started appear to have been lost. Neither in terms of the price, nor in terms of fuel efficiency, nor in terms of efficiency, has the Maruti car been able to maintain any standard. In view of the complete failure of this project to achieve its objects, what does the Government propose to do?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, original thing is of the people's car, and because of heavy taxation on this car, the price has gone up.

SHRI T. OHANDRASHEKHAR REDDY: Now, a rich man's car.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: It is not a common man's car.

SHRI LAXMI NARAIN: Will the hon. Minister be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the officers there are divided, into two groups and that is the main reason for the deterioration?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, it is one of the best managed companies. There is no deterioration.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Shri Kamal Mor-arka.

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Sir, why torture the Minister?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: If you put a supplementary, I will answer.

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Sir, he has given me permission.

SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Sir. I again refer to the original question put by the hon. Member and the answer given by the Minister. Sir, he has given a long list of parties who are supplying spare parts. Sir, the concern of the hon. Member who put the original question and my concern is about the rapid deterioration that takes place when indigenisation takes place. Even when the Ambassador and Fiat cars came to India, in the beginning the quality was not so bad. But we observe through experience that with indigenisation somehow the quality control aspect is lost. We want to know what speci-

fic measures have been taken by the Maruti Management to see that spurious parts do not go into the market. It is all right to say that the Maruti management is not buying spurious parts. But the consumer is getting spurious parts in the name of Maruti. What steps the Maruti management will take, what steps the Government will take to see that the consumer is not cheated when goes to the market to replace the defective parts?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, they must purchase... (*Interruptions*) I request the hon. Members, through you, Sir, that they must purchase from the recognised dealers of the Maruti only.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Have you announced it?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: Sir, there are 63 dealers throughout the country, and there are 200 and odd service stations..

MR. CHAIRMAN: Have you advertised?

SHRI J. VENGAL RAO: We are distributing, we are selling spare parts to them, not to others.

श्री विठ्ठलराव माधवराव जाधव :
श्रीमन्, एक-एक आदमी को तीन-तीन जगह
पर डीलरशिप मिली हुई है।

श्री सभापति : डीलरशिप के लिए आप
अलग से सवाल कर लीजिए।

Question No. 389.

देहरी बांध परियोजना की लागत
में वृद्धि

*389. श्री राम जेठमलानी :
श्री रामनरेश यादव :

क्या ऊर्जा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा
करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उत्तर प्रदेश
में देहरी बांध परियोजना को बनाने की
1972 में स्वीकृति प्रदान की गई थी ;

सभा में यह प्रश्न श्री रामजेठमलानी
द्वारा पूछा गया।