

SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM: Ag it 'ia, there is no proposal.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: It seems the Minister is unmindful thinking of resignations, expulsions and suspensions.

MR. CHAIRMAN: It does not apply to you. Why are you bothered?

SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY: His party is always worried about the Congress party.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Sir, the hon. Minister has said in his statement that the Government has issued one letter of intent to Maharashtra. I would like to know whether it is a fact that the Maharashtra Government has submitted four paper projects based on sugarcane bagasse...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Will you please hear me? This has been answered by the Minister. He said that four such applications have come. You don't hear and you put the same question.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: I am going to ask further.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: When will these be cleared by the Centre and when will they start? That is my question. I have heard his answer.

SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM: As far as Maharashtra is concerned, the State Industrial Development Corporation has applied for a newsprint paper mill based on bagasse. The progress is on and we are awaiting further progress.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: He has said about one project only. There are four bagasse based projects.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You must hear the question and the answer—both of you. His answer is that bagasse based newsprint project is only one. Your question is not only on bagasse based newsprint projects but on everything.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Sir, we have four projects based on bagasse. I can even mention the names of the projects.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The Minister's answer is that there is one application for a bagasse based project. If you think that the answer is not correct, then there are other ways in which you can bring it to our notice. You cannot say, "I know more than the Minister". Mr. Vikal.

श्री रामचन्द्र विक्सल : श्रीमान् मेरा, प्रश्न माननीय मंत्री जी ने जो जवाब दिया है उसी से संबंधित है। उन्होंने अपने जवाब में कहा है कि खेई से बागस वगैरह के लिए राज्य सरकारों को लिखा हुआ है। मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि विन्-विन् राज्य सरकारों को आने लिखा है और कब लिखा है ? मैं यह भी जानना चाहता हूँ कि विन्-विन् राज्य सरकारों से अब तक क्या रिपोर्ट आई है ?

SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM: We have asked the State Governments where they are manufacturing news print, to assist newsprint factories. But we have not written to any State Government.

Plans for improving performance of public sector undertakings

*83. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any long-term and short-term plans have been prepared by Government for improving the performance of the public sector

undertakings under the Control of his Ministry; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The short-term and long-term measures, *inter alia*, include technology upgradation, modernisation, diversification of product-mix, provision of additional captive power facilities, restructuring where necessary and formulation of corporate plans.

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: I am very sorry to say that the answer has fallen far short of the requirements. By reading this answer I have not become wiser even by an inch. I wanted to know specifically from the Minister what the long-term and short-term plans are with regard to the different Industries under his charge. The answer is a very comprehensive sort of a thing saying technology upgradation modernisation, diversification of product-mix, and so on and so forth. This is not the way an answer has to be given. When a Member puts a question to seek specific information and if the information is not forthcoming, the Member is not able to perform his functions properly. Therefore, I would request the Ministry kindly to give correct answers. Having said that, I would like to ask the Minister kindly to state specifically the industries where there is formulation of corporate plans in the Ministry of Industry.

SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI: The distinguished Member has asked a comprehensive question and in all humility I may say when he has asked a comprehensive question, we are also entitled to give a comprehensive reply. There are some sixty companies under our charge and if we give details of all of them, I think we will be loading the honourable

Member with information which is already published..

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Lakshmanna, you have put a general question and the answer is in general terms.

SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI: The honourable Member has asked: Whether any long-term and short-term plans have been prepared for improving the performance of the public sector undertakings..

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: I wanted to know -----

MR. CHAIRMAN: Let not the blind lead the blind. Let us be more specific.

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: I have asked a specific question..

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, you have not

SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI: Already we have corporate plans from—

Andrew Yules

Tyre Corporation of India

National Instruments Limited

Jessop & Company

Bharat Pumps & Compressors

Limited Scooters India Limited Bharat

Process & Mechanical

Engineers Limited Instrumentation

Limited, Kota

The other enterprises are also in the process of formulating corporate plans.

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: How many long-term and now many short-term plans are there for different industries under his charge in - terms of various processes he has mentioned like technology upgradation, modernisation, etc.

SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI: I have already mentioned about corporate plans of a few companies. If

the honourable Member)- would kindly look into the annual publication of the Department of Industry and Public Enterprises, I think he will get all the details. Regarding technology upgradation, etc. it would take a little time because the honourable Member has asked a question which needs some detailed reply. Regarding technology upgradation Bharat Pumps & Compressors has signed a technical collaboration with Pompes Guinard of France for manufacture of new range of process centrifugal and nuclear pumps. Bharat Brakes and Valves have acquired new technology for air brakes, from Oerlikan, Switzerland, for executing orders for the Indian Railways. Bharat Heavy Electricals is now taking steps to acquire technology for engineering design, manufacture, installation and commissioning of gas turbines. Lagan Jute Machinery has acquired latest technology machines and high precision equipment.

Technological upgradation: In the Hindustan Machine Tools, technological upgradation is planned through a five-year and ten-year perspective plan for R&D. Heavy Engineering Corporation is now pursuing technology for walking draglines for technological upgradation. Hindustan Cables has set up new projects in the field of optic fibre cables and systems. Technological collaborations are being appraised for final decision.

Modernisation of plant and equipment National Newsprint and Paper Mills Limited have executed a scheme costing Rs. 35.4 crores for modernisation and renovation. Mandya National Paper Mills Limited have also a modernisation and rehabilitation plan at a cost of Rs. 18.42 crores, Bengal Chemicals and Pharmaceuticals Limited have launched a modernisation plan.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The hon. Minister may stop now.

श्री बरिन्द्र वर्मा: माननीय मंत्री जी ने अपने उत्तर में सरकारी क्षेत्र के उपक्रमों

के संबंध में जो और सुझाव सुझाव लाने के दिये हैं, जहां उसमें प्रशासनिक सुधार लाने की दृष्टि से कोई स्पेशल कैडर इन इन्टर-प्राइज में अधिकारियों को रखने के लिये बनाया गया है और क्या उनको ट्रेनिंग करके इसमें रखा जाता है यह मेरे प्रश्न का पहला पार्ट है? दूसरा पार्ट मेरे प्रश्न का यह है कि जो अर्जुन सेन गुप्ता कमेटी इस संबंध के बनाई गई थी और जिसने अपना रिपोर्ट 31-12-1984 को दे दी थी उस पर इन सोलह महीनों में अभी तक सरकार ने क्या कार्यवाही की है?

श्री नारायण बत्त तिवारी: श्रीमान्, जो सम्मानित सदस्य ने, प्रबंधकीय जो अधिकारी हैं उनके प्रशिक्षण के बारे में, उनकी नियुक्ति के बारे में, प्रशासन की क्षमता के बारे में कह रहे हैं यह बहुत ही उचित सुझाव है। इस संबंध में पूरा प्रयास किया जा रहा है कि सारे प्रतिष्ठानों का प्रबंधकीय जो दृष्टिकोण है उसकी व्यवस्था हो और उसे सुव्यवस्थित किया जाय और उनमें दक्ष जो अधिकारी हैं उन्हें ही नियुक्त किया जाय। इसके लिए जो आधुनिकतम परिपाटियाँ हैं, जो प्रणालियाँ हैं, प्रशासनिक चूस्त और पुरुस्त बनाने की उनका प्रयोग किया जा रहा है और इसके अनुसार अनेक प्रतिष्ठानों ने कार्य शुरू किया है।

श्री बरिन्द्र वर्मा: स्पेशल कैडर?

श्री नारायण बत्त तिवारी: उनका अलग वर्ग बनाया जाय, उनका प्रशासकीय संवर्ग बनाया जाय यह एक ऐसा प्रश्न है जो स्वयान्तरण और दूसरे प्रश्नों से जुड़ा हुआ है और इसके बाद यह भी होगा कि कंपनियों की अटानामी, स्वायत्तता नहीं रहेगी और विभिन्न कंपनियों के कुछ वर्गों का स्वयान्तरण होता रहेगा। इस प्रश्न पर हम पुनर्विचार करना चाहेंगे और इस संबंध में हम माननीय सदस्य का सुझाव चाहेंगे कि किस तरह स्वायत्तता बनाये रखते हुए संवर्ग बन सकते हैं। इस संबंध में अगर वे अपने सुझाव दें तो मैं उनका आभारी हूँगा।

श्री बोरेंद्र वर्मा : अर्जुन सेन गुप्ता
कमेटी

श्री नारायण दत्त तिवारी : अर्जुन सेन
गुप्ता कमेटी की रिपोर्ट की सस्तुतियों का
जहाँ तक प्रश्न है वे अभी विचारधारा है :
दो होल्डिंग कंपनियाँ बनाने का प्रस्ताव है वह
अंतिम चरण में पहुँच गया है। एक तो
इस हवाई को केंद्र मानकर होल्डिंग कंपनी
बनने आ रहे हैं और एक कलकत्ता को
केंद्र मानकर होल्डिंग कंपनी बनाने का
प्रस्ताव है। यह भी अपने अंतिम चरण में है।

SHRI ALADI ARUNA alias V.
ARUNACHALAM; Sir, the hon. Minister has
detailed some of the measures taken for the
improvement of the performance of public
sector undertaking?, under the control of his
Ministry. Even then, there is heavy loss.
The mobilisation of resources to the extent of
Rs. 35,000 crores is expected from the public
sector for the Seventh Five-Year Plan. To
defeat this objective, losses are continuing.
In 1983-84, the loss was Rs. 1,241.33 crores.
In 1984-85, the loss was Rs. 1094.84 crores.
Of course, there is a decline in loss. Even this
loss should not have been there. This means,
the measures taken by the Government so far
have not proved effective. That is why I would
like to know from the hon. Minister what are
the alternative effective methods to reduce the
loss so as to help the Seventh Five Year
Plan for mobilising resources to the extent of
Rs. 35000 crores.

SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI: I think
that the information with the hon. Member
requires a little updating. According to the
information which has been officially
published, the profit in the units under the De-
partment of Industrial Development and
Heavy Industries is Rs. 12 crores in 1984-85.
If you take the net result of all the
undertakings put together, the turnover has
increased from Rs. 52 crores to 3278 crores in
1984-85 and the loss has been turned into
profit. From a loss of 47 crore* in 1980-81,
the profit now is 12 crores in 1984-85.
According to the Corporate Plan en-

visaged in the future, 11 units out of 14 units
in the Department of Industrial Development
and 1» units in the Department of erstwhile
Heavy Industries will be turned into profit-
making units.

SHRI ALADI ARUNA alias V.
ARUNACHALAM; Sir

MR. CHAIRMAN; If there is any
contradiction, then you may write to the
Chair, and I will see if there is any
contradiction in the answer.

SHRI ALADI ARUNA alias V.
ARUNACHALAM; Sir, I am referring to the
Public Enterprises Survey for the year 1984-
85. It is an authentic record. It is the total loss
of public sector. The hon. Minister has
referred to one or two units here and there.

MR. CHAIRMAN; The answer is very
clear. He said that in 1984-85, it has made a
profit. If you dispute that statement you
should write to me with all the material and I
shall take it up.

SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI: I may
clarify the matter. Prof. Lakshmanan has asked
the question about the public sector units under
the control of my Ministry and not about all
the public sector undertakings. The hon.
Member is referring to the profit and loss
account of all the undertakings while I am
referring to the public sector undertakings
under the control of my Ministry. That is the
difference.

SHRI N. E. BALARAM; The losses in the public
sector industries are not due to lack of
modernisation and implementation of new
technology. In some cases, it is due to
mismanagement. There is no proper
management in some of our public sector
industries under the Minister himself. Has the
Government any plan to have proper
management system for improvement in our
public sector industries?

SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI: Sir, the hon. senior Member from Muzaffarnagar asked the same question regarding improvement in management. I agree that there are some units where we have to improve our management, especially in taken-over units. Sh-, these were sick units and we have taken them over during the last 5 or 6 years. We have to improve their working qualitatively and quantitatively. We have to put in some more experience in the running of these mismanaged units. We would require the support of this House to do it

SHRI K. G. MAHESWARAPPA: Admittedly, public sector undertakings are working in loss. Has the Government any plan to hand them over to the private sector?

MR. CHAIRMAN: The question does not arise. Next question.

Telecommunication Facilities in Maharashtra

*84. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 1435 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 10th March, 1986, and state:-

(a) by when the laying of coaxial line is expected to be completed between Aurangabad and Nanded in Maharashtra; and

(b) what are the reasons for which STD services could not be extended to Nanded, Parbhani and Jalna towns in Maharashtra?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND MINSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS. (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Between Aurangabad and Jalna the coaxial cable system is already installed and commissioned. From Jalna to Nanded the Coaxial

Cable is laid but associated work of jointing and termination is in progress and is expected to be completed by 1986-87 end. The associated system will be completed in 1987-88.

(b) Provision of S.T.D. facilities to any place involves the completion of following connected works:—

(1) Installation of Automatic exchange of appropriate type at that station.

(2) Installation of reliable trans-mission medium including multiplexing equipment required for linking that station to national network.

(3) Installation of appropriate termination in the Trunk Automatic Exchange to which the station is to be connected.

(4) Installation of required terminating equipment in the local exchange at the station.

In respect of Jalna, automatic exchange is available. Reliable transmission medium has been recently made available. Capacity in Trunk Automatic Exchange is available. S.T.D. facility to Jalna is likely to be provided during 1986-87.

In respect of Nanded, Automatic exchange is available at this station and capacity in Trunk Automatic exchange at Aurangabad is also available. STD facility will be provided to Nanded as soon as the reliable transmission medium is made available. In case of Parbhani S.T.D. facility will be provided after automation of manual exchange at Parbhani and availability of reliable transmission medium.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Sir, as the Minister has said, the coaxial line is complete from Aurangabad to Jalna, and for Jalna to Parbhani and Nanded it is in progress and it will be completed by the