

ing the BG line from Bongaigaon to Gauhati by the south-east bank and if this is not feasible by the north bank at least.

SHRI MOHD. SHAFI QURESHI:

As I

have already stated the survey report is under examination. It is only after it is considered by the Railway Board a definite time can be given.

LICENCE FOR X-RAY UNIT TO PHILIPS (INDIA) LTD., CALCUTTA

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SHRI GOLAP BARBORA:

SHRI SUHRID MULLICK

CHAUDHURY: SHRI CHITTA BASU:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT/

औद्योगिक विकास मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether Philips (India) Ltd. had been granted a licence for starting an X-Ray Unit in Calcutta;

(b) whether the licence was subsequently cancelled;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Philips (Ind'a) Ltd. has re-applied for the issue of a licence for an X-Ray Unit at Bombay; and

(e) if so, whether any decision has been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT/

औद्योगिक विकास मंत्री. (SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Licence was cancelled in September 1966 as the firm had failed to take "effective- steps" to implement the licence.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

SHRI CHITTA BASU: May I know from the hon. Minister as to what were the conditions which were to be fulfilled by the company and why did they not implement those conditions? This is my first question.

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY: I could not follow.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please repeat it.

SHRI CHITTA BASU: He said in the course of his reply that though the licence was given the company did not give effect to it because it would not implement certain conditions. Now, my question is: What were the conditions imposed along with the licence and why did they not implement them?

The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Kumari Shanta Vasisht.

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE

CHOUDHURY:

The company was given an industrial licence in July, 1960 to manufacture X-Ray equipment for the total value of Rs. 30 lakhs per annum. On 18th December, 1963 the firm submitted an application for change of location in respect of the said licence from Calcutta to Bombay. The West Bengal Government opposed it and, therefore, we also did not agree to it. Later on the DGTD suggested to this Ministry on 14-5-1965 to take steps for the revocation of the licence. We gave then a show-cause notice on 1-5-65. They replied on 1-7-65 that they were trying to set up a joint venture. Then, the Licensing Committee considered the matter and gave them extension up to February, 1966, but they did not do anything. On 4-3-66 the DGTD again stated that the firm had not implemented the project. A show-cause notice was issued to them on 22-3-66. The firm sent a reply on 18-4-1966 saying that they were having negotiations with Bharat Electronics Limited, Bangalore. This was again considered by the Licensing Committee on 21-6-66. The Committee recommended the rejection of the party's application. Thereafter a show-cause notice was again given to the firm on 26-7-66. In reply the firm on 29-8-66 surrendered the licence. On their surrender the licence was cancelled on 21-9-1966.

SHRI CHITTA BASU: May I know from the hon. Minister. . .

MR. CHAIRMAN: No.

SHRI CHITTA BASU: I have not put my second question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, no, I will not break the rules. Mr. Bhupesh Gupta.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: The hon. Minister has said that the licence has been cancelled. Do I have an assurance that the Government would not revise the decision? I asked this question only the day before yesterday. In a weekly journal in the country I have come across photostat copies of orders and notings by the hon. Ministers' Ministry including a photostat copy of the letter from Mr. Bahuguna to Mr. Fakhruddin AH Ahmed, the then Industrial Minister, recommending that the decision of the Government should be changed and that Mohan Breweries should be allowed the expansion although the decision was not to give such expansions. In view of the working of the Ministry in this manner, do I have a clear assurance that no Pradesh Congress leader will write to the Minister and that even if such a letter was received that will not be given any attention and that there will not be any change in the decision? In this connection, I was also a little surprised that Mr. Suaminathan who happens to be the Cabinet Secretary, at that time the Secretary of the Department, wanted no prosecution to

be made against Mohan Breweries for their illegal expansion. All these things have appeared in the newspapers, except for the photostat copies of the order. If this is so, what is the guarantee that they will not, under pressure from high quarters, change the decision?

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY: I have not understood how this arises out of this question. It does not arise, first of all. And, with regard to the newspaper publication, I would respectfully submit that some confounded gentleman has mixed up different files, published bit by bit, in order to insinuate against Mr. Bahuguna. I would not assure Mr. Bhupesh Gupta that I would not entertain anything from any respectable gentleman whether he belongs to the Congress or to any other party. If he writes a letter bringing something to ray notice, I will certainly consider it.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: What was your order?

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY: And in this matter, I would also further say that the gentlemen who had smuggled out this paper is dishonourable and he is unaware to the extent that he has not published my order on this matter. It was very unfair also of a gentleman that he holds a press conference, distributes the photostat copies of the papers smuggled out from the files including the notesheet, although under the Constitution the notesheet is a secret thing which even cannot be exposed before a court. The notesheets have been given to the press but the final order of the Government which I had passed has not been given to the press. That was the most dishonourable part.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: On a point of order. I was not interested in the other case because this is a corresponding case of decision having been taken and there being the danger of the decision being altered. It is not a question of any implication. I agree with him that he may have done something good also. I also find that the noting officer also differed. But how is it that the Secretary and especially a Secretary of your Ministry wanted that no prosecution could be made...

MR. CHAIRMAN: No further question.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: ... even though he could not deny that Mohan Breweries had carried out expansion illegally? I should like to know whether the hon. Minister will order the prosecution of Mohan Breweries and cancel that order of the Secretary?

MR. CHAIRMAN: You have put one question. That is enough.

SHRI JOACHIM ALVA: Is the hon. Minister aware that before conceding the

licence for X-ray equipment to Philips Limited he inquired...

श्री राजनारायण : उनके बारे में क्या हुआ ?

श्री सभापति : सवाल तो उन्होंने पूछ लिया है ।

श्री राजनारायण : या तो आप भूपेश जी को सवाल न उठाने दें ।

श्री सभापति : भूपेश जी मान गये हैं ।

श्री राजनारायण : मंत्री जी ने आप को कहा कि दिस क्वेश्चन डज नाट एराइज आउट आफ दिस, लेकिन आप ने मंत्री जी की बात नहीं मानी । जब भूपेश जी ने बात उठायी तो मंत्री जी ने उन की बात का फाई देने हुए यह कहा कि बहुगुणा जी ने जो खत लिखा वह दूसरे प्रसंग में था, इस प्रसंग में नहीं था । तब अब हाउस एंटाइटल्ड हो गया है कुल फैक्ट्स जानने का ।

SHRI MOINUL HAQUE CHOUDHURY: Let there be...

(Interruptions)

श्री सभापति : आप बैठिये

श्री राजनारायण : आप जाँचे में नहीं रोक सकते इसलिए इस का मतलब यह है कि मंत्री जी खुद बहुगुणा जी को कंडम कर रहे हैं ।

श्री सभापति : आप बैठ जाइये ।

श्री राजनारायण : क्वेश्चन तो आप गड़बड़ कर रहे हैं, हम लोगों को बेकार में दोष देते हैं । जब आपने यह सवाल उठाया और मंत्री ने जवाब दे दिया है कि बहुगुणा जी ने जो खत लिखा है उसका सम्बन्ध दूसरे विषय से है...

श्री सभापति : लिखा तो क्या नुस्खान है ।

श्री राजनारायण : नुस्खान हो या न हो लेकिन हम लोगों की जानकारी में कोई बात आई नहीं इसलिए मैं यह चाहता हूँ कि आप मंत्री जी को बाध्य करें । आज नहीं तो कल वह कोई बयान करें । जब मंत्री ने मान लिया तो इतनी बात साफ हो गई कि कोई खतोंकिताबत हुई । और फिर डिपार्टमेंट के सिक्रेटरी ने कुछ लिखा और मंत्री ने कुछ लिखा । और मंत्री कहते हैं कि इनकी फाइल से कुछ

कागजात चोरी गये। यह कहते हैं मंत्री। तो चोरी कैसे गया, किसने चोरी की।

श्री सभापति : नो, नो। राजनारायण जी, आप बैठिये।

श्री राजनारायण : श्रीमन्, देखिये। इनकी फाइल है। इनका सेक्रेटैरियट है। अब मंत्री सदन में इस बात को कबूल कर रहा है कि हमारी सैक्रेटैरियट की फाइल से कुछ कागजात चोरी गये।

श्री सभापति : आप एक और सवाल नहीं करने दीजिएगा।

श्री राजनारायण : आप हमको कहते हैं, अपने को खुद नहीं कहते। अगर आप भूपेश गुप्ता को कहे होते और यह सवाल नहीं उठता तब तो और बात थी लेकिन अब जब कि उठ गया तो क्या मंत्री जवाब नहीं देगा।

श्री सभापति : उन्होंने जवाब दे दिया है।

श्री राजनारायण : जवाब गलत दिया गया है। अब हमारा इस सरकार के किसी डिपार्टमेंट पर क्या विश्वास हो जब कि डिपार्टमेंट की फाइल से कागजात चोरी जा रहे हैं।

श्री सभापति : आप कार्यवाही न चलने दीजिये।

श्री राजनारायण : श्रीमन्, आप हमको दोष देते हैं।

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Sir, I am very grateful to Shri. Haque Choudhury. I have no quarrel with him. He said he did pass an order not allowing the expansion. When you are convinced that the expansion was illegal, what action did he take? He was convinced that the expansion was illegal. He said that the Secretary did not order prosecution and he also said that the matter need not be proceeded with. May I know what assurance we have in such cases . . .

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have not allowed the question of prosecution.

श्री राजनारायण : देखिये आप कहते हैं यूहैब नाट एलाउड दिस क्वेश्चन अब आप कहते हैं कि चेयरमैन साहब ने इस सवाल की इजाजत नहीं दी। सवाल भी हुआ और मंत्री का जवाब भी हुआ आप एक चीज को उठा देते हैं . . .

श्री सभापति : पहले सवाल को एलाऊ किया था। यह नया सवाल है।

श्री राजनारायण : नया नहीं होता है। इसका सवाल तो उससे निकल जाता है अगर मंत्री का कहना यह सही है कि इनकी फाइल से कागजात चोरी हुये। यह मंत्री का कहना है, इनकी नोटिंग दूसरी थी। इन्होंने कहा कि हमने नोटिंग किया कि सजा हो। तो यह पूरा केस हमें मिलना चाहिए कि मंत्री की नोटिंग के विरुद्ध काम क्यों हुआ।

श्री सभापति : नहीं, नहीं। आप बैठ जाइये।

श्री राजनारायण : उनका प्वाइंट है कि एक्सपेंशन . . .

श्री सभापति : जो उनका प्वाइंट है वह समझ गये, उन्होंने समझा दिया। आप मेहरबानी करके बैठ जाइये।

श्री राजनारायण : श्रीमन्, देखिये। गवर्नमेंट का आ रहा है। कल का आप नेशनल हेराल्ड पढ़िये। नेशनल हेराल्ड में तीन कैटेगरीज दे दी गई हैं। एक कैटेगरी में वह एक्सपेंशन हुआ जिसमें गवर्नमेंट ने इमरजेंसी में कहा कि तुम अपनी कैपेसिटी को बढ़ाओ और एक कैटेगरी में वह एक्सपेंशन हुआ जो कि टेक्नालाजी को बढ़ा कर के विद्व्याउट फारन एक्सचेंज किया गया और तीसरी कैटेगरी कुछ और है . . .

श्री सभापति : आप बैठ जाइये। मेहरबानी कर के बैठ जाइये। कहना मानिये, बैठ जाइये।

श्री राजनारायण : वह गलत चीज है।

SHRI P. C. MITRA: Actually the Minister is ready to explain. Kindly allow the Minister to explain. He was halfway and by that he did justice to none. He should have explained the matter fully.

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SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: I ira on a point of order . . .

श्री सभापति : चलिये, अब आपका प्वाइंट आफ आर्डर है।

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: I am on a point of order. You have allowed this question of Shri Bhupesh Gupta. If you had not allowed it, we would not have raised it. Mr. Choudhury has replied this question. Mr. Choudhury mentioned some correspondence. Therefore, (this has got to be explained; otherwise, Mr. Rajnarain will take political advantage of it.

MR. CHAIRMAN: It cannot be explained.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Sir, today we leave it now. My suggestion is since the matter has been brought to the notice of the House, I shall give separate notice and then we shall take up this issue . . .

MR. CHAIRMAN: The Question Hour is over.

श्री राजनारायण : श्रीमन्, प्वाइन्ट आफ आर्डर । मैं व्यक्तिगत सफाई देना चाहता हूँ । श्री कुलकर्णी ने हमारे ऊपर यह आरोप लगाया कि मैं राजनैतिक लाभ लेना चाहता हूँ । मैं आपसे निवेदन करना चाहता हूँ, मैं राजनीति में हूँ, राजनीति का लाभ देश के कल्याण में बराबर लेता रहा हूँ, ले रहा हूँ और लूंगा । मगर कुलकर्णी की तरह संकुचित और निजी लाभ न लिया है न लूंगा ।

श्री ए० जी० कुलकर्णी : मोहन कंपनी वालों से आपकी दोस्ती है, मेलजोल है । हमको मालूम है, देश को मालूम है आपकी दोस्ती किसके साथ है ।

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

तीसरे दर्जे के डिब्बों में भीड़ तथा चोरियों में कमी लाने के लिए उपाय

*295. श्री सुरज प्रसाद : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने भारतीय रेलों में तीसरे दर्जे के डिब्बों में भीड़ तथा चोरी की घटनाओं में कमी लाने के लिये हाल में कोई निर्णय किये हैं ; और

(ख) यदि हाँ तो उनका व्यौरा क्या है ?

[MEASURES TO REDUCE OVERCROWDING AND THEFTS IN THIRD CLASS COMPARTMENTS

295. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAY, रेल मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently taken any decision with respect to reducing overcrowding and incidents of theft in third class compartments on the Indian Railways; and

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

रेल मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री मोहमद शफी कुरेशी) : (क) और (ख) श्रीमन्, चल-स्टाक खण्डीय और पर्यन्त क्षमता के रूप में साधनों की सीमित उपलब्धता के रहते हुए, सरकार का सदैव यह प्रयास रहता है कि जब कभी किसी मार्ग पर गाड़ियों में भीड़-भाड़ बढ़े, तो गाड़ियों की संख्या बढ़ाकर अथवा भारी इंजनों का उपयोग करके गाड़ियों में अधिक सवारी डिब्बे लगाकर, यंत्रियों के लिए अधिक से अधिक स्थान की व्यवस्था की जाए । प्रभावित खण्डों में रात के समय चलने वाली महत्वपूर्ण गाड़ियों में सरकारी रेलवे पुलिस के मार्गरक्षियों की व्यवस्था की जाती है । रेलों में अपराधों की रोकथाम सुनिश्चित करने के लिये रेल प्रशासन और (सरकारी रेलवे पुलिस सहित) राज्य पुलिस में निकट सम्पर्क बनाये रखा जाता है ।

[THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS/^* H^T^TO

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SHI): (a) and (h) Sir, subject to limitation of availability of resources by way of rolling stock, sectional and terminal capacity, it is constantly the endeavour of the Government to provide more and more accommodation for passengers, when on any route trains tend to become overcrowded, either by increasing the number of trains or by adding more coaches on trains by the use of heavier locos. Important night passenger trains are escorted by Government Railway Police in affected sections. Close liaison is maintained between the Railway administration and the State Police (including the Government Railway Police) to ensure prevention of crime on Railways.]

[] English translation.