

corruption practices in this Commission and that thereafter the Khadi Commission thought it proper to get itself transferred to the other Ministry?

SHRI LAL BAHADUR: It is absolutely wrong, Sir. It has no basis at all.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: We would like to know the function of the Khadi Commission, especially of its Chairman. May I know whether the function of the Chairman includes his trip to Kerala and other places in order to interfere in the political affairs of the parties and so on, organise the Congress Party, etc.? If it is not so, then may I know whether special permission has been obtained by him from Government? If it is, then we would like to know how exactly this arrangement is made within the compass of this Commission.

SHRI LAL BAHADUR: Sir, this is not directly related to this question but why should Shri Bhupesh Gupta deprive the Chairman of the Khadi Commission his chance of visiting Kerala where a large number of Communists are there? It is better that he goes and sees in what way he can be helpful to the Communists.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: I am grateful to the hon. Prime Minister.

SHRI A. D. MANI: Since the export of handloom fabrics and handicrafts has been considerable during recent years, did Government consult the Ministry of Commerce about the transfer of the Commission to the Department of Social Security? If the Ministry of Commerce was consulted, what was the opinion of the Ministry of Commerce on the subject?

SHRI LAL BAHADUR: In that case, the hon. Member will have to ask me whether I consulted about half a dozen departments, Education, Health, etc. A number of departments were concerned and I should have consult-

ed each and every one of them. I must admit I have not done it but may I say that it is entirely in the discretion of the Prime Minister to do this work and carry on the administration?

SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: It is not a fact that the production programme of the Khadi and Gramodyog Commission forms part of the whole cloth industry?

SHRI LAL BAHADUR: Of course, I am prepared to look into what the hon. Member has said because a letter has been addressed to me by the Chairman of the Khadi Commission. Yet, I do not think that the work of khadi and village industries is going to suffer if this subject remains in the Department of Social Security.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The Question. Hour is over.

#### WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

##### दिल्ली में बैंक कर्मचारियों का आन्दोलन

\*४७६. श्री महावीर दास : क्या श्री तथा सेवानियोजन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान दिल्ली के हिन्दी दैनिक "हिन्दुस्तान" दिनांक २५ जुलाई, १९६४ के पृष्ठ ३ पर, कालम संख्या ६ और ७ में प्रकाशित "बैंक कर्मचारियों के आन्दोलन से दिल्ली का व्यापार चौपट" शीर्षक वाले समाचार की ओर आकर्षित कराया गया है ;

(ख) क्या दिल्ली के बैंक कर्मचारियों की कोई संस्था है, और यदि हाँ, तो उसका क्या नाम है, और उसे किस राजनीतिक दल का समर्थन प्राप्त है ; और

(ग) क्या इस आन्दोलन का समर्थन सेंट्रल बैंक ऑफ इन्डिया एम्प्लॉईज यूनियन द्वारा किया गया ?

t [AGITATION BY BANK EMPLOYEE;; IN DELHI

\*476. SHRI MAHABIR DASS: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item published under the caption "*Bank karmacharion ke Andolan se Delhi ka Vyapar Chaupat* (Business in Delhi paralysed by bank employees' agitation)" at page 3, columns 6 and 7 of Hindi daily 'Hindustan' Delhi, dated 25th July, 1964;

(b) whether the bank employees in Delhi have got any association and if so, what is the name of the Association and which political party is supporting it; and

(c) whether this agitation was supported by the Central Bank of India Employees Union?]

श्रम तथा सेवानियोजन मंत्री (श्री डी० संजीवैया): (क) जी हाँ। परन्तु विचारार्थीन शीर्षक वाला समाचार ३० जुलाई १९६४ के 'हिन्दुस्तान' में प्रकाशित हुआ था।

(ख) दिल्ली में बैंक कर्मचारियों की कई यूनियनें हैं। इन में से अधिकांश यूनियनें आल इन्डिया बैंक एम्प्लॉईज एसोसियेशन से सम्बद्ध हैं और कुछ आल इन्डिया बैंक एम्प्लॉईज फेडरेशन से सम्बद्ध हैं। आन्दोलन आल इन्डिया बैंक एम्प्लॉईज एसोसियेशन द्वारा शुरू किया गया था। यह एसोसियेशन किसी भी केन्द्रीय मजदूर यूनियन संगठन से सम्बद्ध नहीं है।

(ग) 'सेंट्रल बैंक एम्प्लॉईज यूनियन' के नाम पर दो दल काम कर रहे हैं — एक आल इन्डिया बैंक एम्प्लॉईज एसोसियेशन

द्वारा नियंत्रित किया जाता है और दूसरा आल इन्डिया बैंक एम्प्लॉईज फेडरेशन द्वारा। पहले दल द्वारा आन्दोलन का समर्थन किए जाने की रिपोर्ट मिली है।

t [THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT SHRI D. SANJIVAY-YA): (a) Yes. But the news item under reference appeared in the issue of 'Hindustan' dated 30th July, 1964.

(b) There are several Unions of bank employees in Delhi. Most of these Unions are affiliated to the All India Bank Employees Association while some are affiliated to the All India Bank Employees' Federation. The agitation was started by the All India Bank Employees Association which is not affiliated to any of the Central Trade Union Organisations.

(c) Two groups are functioning under the name of Central Bank Employees' Union—one is controlled by the All India Bank Employees Association and the other by the All India Bank Employees Federation. The agitation it is reported was supported by the former group.]

#### MINISTERS' VISIT TO AFRICAN COUNTRIES

\*484. SHRI A. M. TARIQ: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Minister of Law and the Deputy Minister of External Affairs recently visited African countries;

(b) what was the purpose of their visit; and

(c) what was the reaction of the African people to their visit?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The delegation went primarily to represent India at the Indepen-