

therefore, I have not got all the details about U.P. at present with me. I can get the information . . .

SHRI AKBAL ALI KUAN: What is the policy of the Government regarding the increasing or decreasing of the cultivation regarding opium?

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: The Government of India's policy in regard to the cultivation of it is largely guided by international obligations, to restrict it to the minimum. We restrict it to the actual manufacture of alkaloids in the country and also provide for its consumption on medical grounds. We also provide some quantum of opium for export for which we have a good market. But it is strictly guarded and is under strict control.

श्री विमल हुनार मन्नालालजी चौरङ्गिया : क्या यह बताने का कष्ट करेगी कि यह प्रतिबन्ध क्यों लगा रखा है? अजमेर से खंडवा तक जो ट्रेन जाती है, उस लाइन के १५ मील इधर से उधर तक, नीमच से लेकर रतलम तक के कारखानों को इसके लिये लाइसेंस क्यों नहीं दिया जाता है और यह प्रतिबन्ध लगाने का क्या कारण है?

श्रीमती तारकेश्वरी सिन्हा : अफीम की खेती पर प्रतिबन्ध लगाने का सिद्धांत है और केवल इसीलिये ऐसा है।

श्री विमल हुनार मन्नालालजी चौरङ्गिया: केवल एक पट्टिकुलर क्षेत्र पर प्रतिबन्ध लगाने का क्या कारण है? या तो यह आदेश दे दीजिये कि कहीं भी खेती न हो, तो वह अपने आप बन्द हो जायेगी, लेकिन एक खास क्षेत्र पर प्रतिबन्ध लगाना कुछ उचित नहीं लगता।

श्रीमती तारकेश्वरी सिन्हा : हर जगह प्रतिबन्ध लगाया जा रहा है, अपने अपने तरीके से लगाया जाता है, अफीम की खेती बिना प्रतिबन्ध के नहीं की जाती।

श्री ए. ए. एम. - طارق : وزیر صاحب سے میں یہ جاننا چاہتا ہوں کہ ہم یہ جو اپنی افیون باہر کے ملکوں کو بھیجتے ہیں وہ کون کون سے ملکوں کو بھیجتے ہیں اور ان ملکوں کی ہندوستان کی افیون کے بارے میں کیا رائے ہے۔

[श्री ए. ए. एम. तारिक: वजीर साहिब से मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि हम यह जो अपनी अफ्यून बाहर के मुल्कों को भेजते हैं वह कौन कौन से मुल्कों को भेजते हैं और उन मुल्कों की हिन्दुस्तान की अफ्यून के बारे में क्या राय है?]

श्रीमती तारकेश्वरी सिन्हा : हिन्दुस्तान से जो अफीम बाहर जाती है उसके मुताल्लिक राय तो बहुत अच्छी है और इसीलिये हमारा निर्यात बहुत काफी बढ़ा है। बाहर के मुल्कों से जो मांग आती थी वह पहले कम थी लेकिन अब वह बढ़ी है। १९५४-५५ में करीब २११ टन की थी और १.४ करोड़ रुपये की अफीम बाहर गई, लेकिन १९६०-६१ में उसी की मांग ६०० टन हो गई जिसकी कीमत करीब ५ करोड़ रुपये थी। इधर कुछ मांग फिर गिरी है चूँकि टर्की ने भी काम्पीटीशन शुरू कर दिया है मगर हम हमेशा उम्मीद करते हैं कि बाहर के मुल्कों में हमारी खसत अच्छी रही है और अच्छी रहेगी।

APPLICATIONS FOR RELEASE OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE FOR HIGHER STUDIES ABROAD

f Shri J. K. P. NARAYAN ♦435.

SINGH:

SHRI SUNDAR MANI L PATEL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of applications for release of foreign exchange for the purpose of higher studies abroad

f [] Hindi transliteration. JThe question was actually asked on

the floor of the House by Shri J. K. P. Narayan Singh.

received by the Reserve Bank of India during 1962 and so far during 1963; and

(b) the number out of those applications which were rejected and the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House in due course.

SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: What are the higher studies and the subjects for which foreign exchange is usually granted?

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: For technical subjects, the grant of foreign exchange is very liberal. For technical training and degree courses or diploma courses, we allow foreign exchange very liberally. So far as the non-technical subjects are concerned, we put certain minimum educational marks. For example, for graduates, they must secure 60 per cent, of the marks and for M.A. Degree-holders, we insist that they should at least secure 56 per cent, of the marks. There are a few subjects which are under the 'ban list' to which no foreign exchange is allowed.

SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: What are those technical subjects—"technical subjects" is a very big term—for which foreign exchange is allowed?

SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA: Interior decoration, ballet dancing and all these subjects come under banned list.

**DISAPPEARANCE OF DOCUMENTS FROM
COURTS OF CUSTODIAN OF EVACUEE
PROPERTY, DELHI**

•436. SHRI LOKANATH MISRA: Will the Minister of WORKS, HOUSING AND REHABILITATION be pleased to refer to the answer given to Unstarred Question No. 108 in the Rajya Sabha on 4th March, 1963 and state whether

Government have received complaints of pilferage of documents from files relating to properties VI/301 to VI/304, VI/281 (old numbers), IV/754 and IV/ 751 (old numbers), 11/1908, Royal Electric Co., Sadar Bazar, Delhi and Ajanta Cafeteria, Connaught Circus, New Delhi from the court of Custodian of Evacuee Property, Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS, HOUSING AND REHABILITATION (SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA): The property files relating to properties No. VI/301 to VI/304, VI/281 IV/754 and IV/751 (old numbers and II/1908 have been checked and there is no indication about any complaint regarding the pilferage of documents from the court of the Custodian. It is not possible to give information about the Royal Electric Co., Sadar Bazar, Delhi and Ajanta Cafeteria, Connaught Circus, New Delhi without the full particulars of the property like its Municipal, Ward/Block numbers.

SHRI LOKANATH MISRA: May I know whether the hon. Minister has received complaints even from Members of Parliament, from Shri N. B. Khare, Shri Deshpande and Shri Gurupada Swamy? Is it a fact? Did they write to him?

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: The question relates to the pilferage of files from the court of the Custodian. I have made enquiries and I have been assured that there is no pilferage.

SHRI LOKANATH MISRA: May I know if the Special Police Establishment enquired into it and if they asked for permission for prosecution?

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: I have no information but I certainly take the information from the hon. Member; and I shall look into the matter.

SHRI B. D. KHOBARAGADE: May I know whether this enquiry regarding the pilferage of documents has