

तरीका अख्तियार करना पड़ता है उसमें उनका गड़त ज्यादा खर्च हो जाता है और रकम मिलने का जो जाब्ता है वह बहुत ज्यादा लम्बा है ?

श्री बी० आर० भगत : अभी जो धन-राशि इन लोगों के रिहैबिलिटेशन के लिए दी गई है वह १ करोड़ ६० लाख रुपये की है। राज्य सरकारों ने इनके लिए जो स्कीमें बनाकर भेजी है, उसमें कितनी धन-राशि लगेगी उसका तखमीना बनाकर भेजा है और उसीके आधार पर हमने मदद दी है। अभी हाल में राज्य सरकारों के अपसरों की एक मीटिंग हुई थी जिसमें स बात के बारे में छानबीन की गई थी कि उनकी मदद करने के लिए और क्या किया जाय। जैसी जैसी स्कीमें आयेंगी हम उनकी सहायता करने के लिए तैयार हैं। यह जो शिकायत है कि सहायता लेने में उन्हें ज्यादा रुपया खर्च करना पड़ता है, इस तरह की कोई शिकायत मेरे पास नहीं आई है। माननीय सदस्य ने यह सवाल उठाया है, तो मैं इसके बारे में छानबीन करूंगा।

*191. [The questioner (Shri R. K. Bhuwalka) was absent. For answer, vide col. 1182 infra.]

*192. [The questioner (Shri Arjun Arora) was absent. For answer, vide col. 1183 infra.]

RESIGNATION BY THE CHIEF ENGINEER OF FARAKKA BARRAGE

*139. SHRI J. C. CHATTERJI: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chief Engineer of Farakka Barrage, Shri R. B. Chakravarty, has submitted his resignation; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (DR. K. L. RAO): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise. Further information is given in the statement laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

For administrative reasons, it was decided, in consultation with the Government of West Bengal, to replace the services of Shri R. B. Chakravarty who was on deputation to the Farakka Barrage Project as Chief Engineer, back at the disposal of the Government of West Bengal, and to appoint another officer from West Bengal as Chief Engineer, Farakka Barrage Project. Shri R. B. Chakravarty accordingly handed over the charge of the post of Chief Engineer, Farakka Barrage Project on the afternoon of the 30th September, 1963.

SHRI J. C. CHATTERJI: I did not receive any statement.

DR. K. L. RAO: I can read that. It is a very short one. It is as follows:

"For administrative reasons, it was decided, in consultation with the Government of West Bengal, to replace the services of Shri R. B. Chakravarty who was on deputation to the Farakka Barrage Project as Chief Engineer, back at the disposal of the Government of West Bengal, and to appoint another officer from West Bengal as Chief Engineer, Farakka Barrage Project. Shri R. B. Chakravarty accordingly handed over the charge of the post of Chief Engineer, Farakka Barrage Project on the afternoon of the 30th September, 1963."

SHRI J. C. CHATTERJI: I would like to know why such a thing happened. We had been there as a group recently. Some quarters were to be erected there. The hon. Minister had been there too and he gave the sanction and it was forwarded to Delhi but later on due to some objection raised by the Finance this could not

be done. So, Mr. Chakravarty was in a difficult position there. When we went there there was no accommodation even for our afternoon rest and so some of us had to take rest in the compartment of the train.

MR. CHAIRMAN: What is the question? I am sorry for the inconvenience caused, but what is the question?

SHRI J. C. CHATTERJI: The question is that the hon. Minister gave a written order that some quarters are to be built immediately but those quarters could not be built because of objections raised by the Finance.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You want to know if this is true?

DR. K. L. RAO: Sir, I am very sorry that hon. Members were put to some inconvenience. Since then it has been sorted out and the building is now under construction.

SHRI RAMPRASANNA RAY: May I know Sir, whether the new Chief Engineer has since shifted his office from Calcutta to Farakka?

DR. K. L. RAO: Quite so. That was one of the points that the Chief Engineer of the Project should be at the site and his office should be shifted from Calcutta.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: We have been told that this change has been made in consultation with the Government of West Bengal. So far so good. But may I know the reasons, on what grounds, these changes were made, who made the suggestion for the change and for what reasons?

DR. K. L. RAO: I said for administrative reasons; I did not want to go into the various aspects. For one thing I would say that the Chief Engineer who has taken over charge has more experience of this type of work and I regret to say that the progress of the work was very unsatisfactory during the time of the previous incumbent of the post.

ELECTRONIC TRANSMITTER FACTORY

*194. SHRI A. D. MANI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a 6-crore electronic transmitter factory is going to be set-up with Russian collaboration in Hyderabad; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the collaboration in this project?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI N. KANUNGO): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The Government of India are not aware of any proposal for setting up a 6-crore electronic transmitter factory at Hyderabad with Russian collaboration.

SHRI A. D. MANI: Sir, I would like to draw the attention of the Minister to a statement made by Dr. M. N. Lakshminarasayya, State Minister for Industries, Hyderabad, and that statement has been published in the *Economic Times* and it says as follows:

"A 6-crore electronic transmitter factory in the public sector with Russian collaboration is likely to be set up in Hyderabad. Disclosing this here Dr. Lakshminarasayya, State Minister for Industries, said that he had received this information from Delhi recently."

MR. CHAIRMAN: The likelihood does not seem to have materialised.

SHRI A. D. MANI: The Minister is quoting Delhi and saying that he has received this information from Delhi.

MR. CHAIRMAN: It was likely but from the answer the Minister has given it appears that the likelihood has not materialised.

SHRI M. RUTHNASWAMY: The statement says he received it from Delhi; not from the Government of India. Delhi may mean anything.