

बतायें कि किसी भी देश में नकली बारिश बहुत मुफ़्त साबित हुई है तो हम लोग उसको यथाशक्ति कार्यान्वित भी करेंगे लेकिन मेरी समझ से बड़े विकसित देशों में भी पूरी तरह उसमें अभी कामयाबी नहीं मिली है। यहां भी जब नैचुरल रिसोर्स एंड साइंटिफिक रिसर्च मिनिस्ट्री को तब उस वक्त कुछ बादल से कृत्रिम वर्षा कराने की बात लोगों ने की थी लेकिन उसमें कोई खास सफलता लोगों को अब तक नहीं मिली है।

SHRI B. K. GAIKWAD: Are the Government aware that in certain parts of Maharashtra there have been no rains? Scarcity works were started but they have been discontinued and now probably Rabi crops will not be there. May I know, Sir, what the Government is ghing to do in the matter?

SHRI RAM SUBHAG SINGH: It is true that certain areas of Maharashtra have been affected by this drought. We hope that the rains will be good in the coming weeks.

SHRI C. D. PANDE: The hon. Minister has said that since the Rabi crop was already there in the market it cannot be assumed that there is rise in the prices. Sir, the forecast of the present crop is generally available at this time of the year and the estimate of production. Why this year it is not in the hands of Government?

MR. CHAIRMAN: What is the question?

SHRI C. D. PANDE: Sir, the Government's statement that the estimate of production has no effect on the prices is not correct.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is again a statement. What do you want to know actually?

SHRI C. D. PANDE: May I know, Sir, whether the Government holds that the estimate of production has no effect on the rise in prices?

SHRI S. K. PATIL: Sir, the estimate of production is no doubt of some value to speculators. The speculative market does make some distinction in prices. So far as the physical existence of stocks is concerned, we have enough stocks to rush anywhere in any part of India. And for that reason there should be no reason as to why there should be any rise in prices.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Next question.

भागलपुर-बरारी घाट सेक्शन पर बिना टिकट के यात्रा

*६५१. श्री महावीर दास : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान पटना के हिन्दी दैनिक "आर्यावर्त" के दिनांक ८ जून, १९६२ के कालम १ में "भागलपुर की जड़ें" शीर्षक के अन्तर्गत प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर आकर्षित किया गया है ;

(ख) यदि उपरोक्त भाग (क) का उत्तर 'हां' हो तो पूर्वोक्त रेलवे के भागलपुर-बरारी घाट सेक्शन पर बिना टिकट के खुले आम यात्रा करने, टिकट वाले यात्रियों को बैठने की जगह न मिलने और गोदाम तथा इंजनों पर से कोयले की चोरी के सम्बन्ध में जांच करने के लिये क्या कोई कार्रवाई की गई है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो यह जांच कब व कैसे की गई और उसका क्या परिणाम निकला ?

TICKELESS TRAVEL ON BHAGALFURE BARARI GHAT SECTION

*951. SHRI MAHABIR DASS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to a news item published in column 1 of Hindi daily the "Aryavarta" of Patna dated the

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8th June, 1962 under the heading "Bhagalpur ki Chitthi";

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, whether any steps have been taken to make enquiries with regard to the unrestricted ticketless travelling, non-availability of seats for ticket holding passengers and pilferage of coal from the goods shed and the engines on Bhagalpur-Barari Ghat Section on the North Eastern Railway; and

(c) if so, how and when the enquiry was made and what is the result thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI S. V. RAMASWAMY) : (a) No such news items appeared in "Aryavarta", Patna dated the 8th June, 1962. However, a news item under the heading "Bhagalpur ki Chitthi" appeared in the "Aryavarta" dated the 28th June, 1962.

(b) and (c) With regard to the complaint of unrestricted ticketless travel and non-availability of seats for ticket holding passengers, eight special checks were conducted during the quarter ending 30th June, 1962, and further intensive checking will be done.

Regarding the complaint of pilferage of coal, enquiries made by the Railway in August, 1962 have not substantiated the allegations in the news item.

†[रेल मंत्रालय से उपमंत्री (श्री एस० वी० रामास्वामी) : (क) पटना के "आर्यावर्त" के ८ जून, १९६२ के अंक में इस तरह का कोई समाचार नहीं छपा था। लेकिन "भागलपुर की चिट्ठी" शीर्षक का एक समाचार आर्यावर्त के २८-६-६२ के अंक में छपा था।

(ख) और (ग) जहाँ तक खूबे आम बिना टिकट यात्रा करने और टिकट वाले यात्रियों का बैठने की जगह न मिलने की शिकायत है, ३०-६-६२ को समाप्त होने वाली

†[] Hindi transliteration.

तिमाही में आठ बार टिकटों की विशेष जांच की गयी और आगे भी टिकटों की कड़ी जांच की जायेगी

कोयले की उठाईगिरी की जो शिकायत की गयी है, उसके बारे में रेलवे द्वारा अगस्त, १९६२ में जांच की गयी। प्रकाशित समाचार में जो आरोप लगाया गया है, वह साबित न हो सका।]

श्री महाबोर दास : क्या माननीय मंत्री महोदय बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि यह जो जांच हुई है, क्या उसमें वहाँ के आसपास के प्रतिष्ठित लोगों से भी पूछताछ की गई है?

SHRI S. V. RAMASWAMY: I suppose in all enquiries responsible persons of the area will be consulted.

REPORT OF ENQUIRY COMMITTEE ON POWER BREAKDOWN IN DELHI

*952. SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the five man committee headed by Shri Dharam Vira has submitted its report on the Delhi power crisis; -

(b) if so, what are the findings; and

(c) what steps are being taken to implement the recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: May I know, Sir, what steps have been taken by the Government to find out how far the allegations made by me about the burning of the transformer deliberately were correct?

SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN: It will be known when the Committee's report is submitted to us or to the Punjab Government.