

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Sir, we got him elected. Why should I not co-operate with him? That is not the point. All I wanted to know from him was whether the Government of West Bengal was satisfied.

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: Yes, they are satisfied.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Why should we be dragged in it? I am not the Chief Minister of West Bengal.

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: Sir, according to our information the Santhals wanted to go to Dandakaranya but certain forces unfortunately worked against their wishes. They told them that Dandakaranya was full of demons, tigers, reptiles and so on and if they went there, they would be all eaten up.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Sir, no responsible man in West Bengal said these things. Since he has made this statement, may I know, Sir, what is the source of his information and whether he would be in a position to give some evidence to justify what he has attributed to some unnamed people in West Bengal?

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: These are newspapers reports and they came out in very bold prints.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: I have brought these reports. May I know, Sir, the individuals because some individuals have been named in this matter?

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: No individuals, but some of the Calcutta dailies published this news.

SHRI LOKANATH MISRA: May we know, Sir, the agencies which worked to dissuade the Santhals from going to Dandakaranya?

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: I have no personal knowledge of the agencies but that is what I have seen

in the press and the Government of West Bengal also had the same feeling in the matter.

SHRI NIREN GHOSH: In the press report no person or party were identified. There have been a large number of reports by certain irresponsible individuals, might be from the officers or from the Government side or something like that. In view of that, is it proper for the Minister to make such a statement here which places the matter in confusion, and may I further know whether the Government of India is aware that still migrations are taking place from East Pakistan to Malda?

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: I have just stated that about 11,000 persons have come till the end of July on "No-migration Certificates". The policy of the Government is very clear in this direction and the Prime Minister also made a statement in this very House and in the other House. We have spent a total of about Rs. 12 crores on the Dandakaranya Project. We have taken more than five thousand families there and we are prepared to take more families to Dandakaranya if they want to come forward. We have given the highest priority in Dandakaranya for the rehabilitation of displaced persons from East Pakistan including the Santhals.

अम्बर चल

४६८. श्री नवाबसिंह चौहान : क्या वाणिज्य तथा उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश में इस समय कितने अम्बर चले चल रहे हैं और उनके द्वारा प्रतिमास कितना सूत तैयार किया जा रहा है ; और

(ख) इस समय इस सूत का किस प्रकार उपयोग किया जा रहा है ?

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498. SHRI NAWAB SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Ambar Charkhas at present in use in the country and the quantity of yarn which is being produced by them per month; and

(b) the manner in which this yarn is being utilised at present?

THE MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) It is estimated that out of 3.98 lakhs Ambar Charkhas distributed upto the end of 1961-62, 60 per cent or 2.39 lakhs are in operation. The average monthly production of Ambar yarn was 2.7 lakhs lbs. during 1961-62.

(b) The yarn is distributed to the registered weavers of Khadi institutions for being converted into Khadi cloth.

†[वाणिज्य तथा उद्योग मंत्रालय में अन्तर-राष्ट्रीय व्यापार मंत्री (श्री मनुभाई शाह): (क) अनुमान है कि १९६१-६२ के अन्त तक बांटे गये ३.९८ लाख अम्बर चर्खों में से ६० प्रतिशत अथवा २.३९ लाख चर्खे चल रहे हैं। १९६१-६२ में अम्बर सूत का औसत मासिक उत्पादन २.७ लाख पौंड था।

(ख) यह सूत खादी संस्थाओं के पंजी-बद्ध बुनकरों में कपड़ा बुनने के लिये बांट दिया जाता है।]

श्री नवाबसिंह चौहान : ऐक्टिव प्रोडक्शन के बारे में जिक्र किया गया है तो जो ऐक्टिव प्रोडक्शन नहीं कर रहे हैं, उनको ऐसा न करने का कारण क्या है ?

† [] English translation.

‡ [] Hindi translation.

श्री मनुभाई शाह : इसका कारण यह है कि उन माताओं को और बहनों को घर में चर्खा दिया जाता है जो ऐक्टिव हैं। हमारे जो सेंटर हैं उन में भी औरतें काम करती हैं और उनको चर्खा दिया जाता है। उसको हम इन्ऐक्टिव गिनते हैं। इसका मतलब यह नहीं है कि सभी बेकार पड़े हुए हैं। यह मदद करने का एक सामाजिक बोमा है, लेकिन सब चर्खों पर पूरी तादाद में काम नहीं होता है।

श्री नवाबसिंह चौहान : इस अम्बर चर्खे की योजना का लक्ष्य क्या था कि कितने चर्खे बनाये जायें और कितना धागा उनसे उत्पन्न किया जाय और उस लक्ष्य तक पहुँचने के लिए क्या प्रयत्न हो रहे हैं और कब तक पहुँचा जा सकेगा ?

श्री मनुभाई शाह : इनका लक्ष्य यह था कि एक लाख चर्खे हर साल दिये जायें। इन चार सालों में तकरोबन चार लाख चर्खे बांटे गये हैं। यह बात ठीक है उसे हम बढ़ाना चाहते थे, लेकिन चूँकि इससे ज्यादा तादाद में सद्भाज उसको अभी अपना नहीं पाया है, इस लिए हम ने तीसरी योजना में तीन लाख का लक्ष्य रखा है।

SHRI C. D. PANDE: May I know, Sir, whether the Government is satisfied with the progress that Ambar Charkha has made, whether it has fulfilled the promise that was held out on its behalf?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: It has not fulfilled totally its promise but, to a great extent, there have been very considerable improvements. And, as I mentioned before also, more than 24 million yards of cloth are being produced and so many people, more than 4 lakhs, are being employed. Many trainees have been trained throughout the country and they have particularly penetrated into very backward areas.

SHRI C. D. PANDE: What is the daily income per head out of this charkha?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: On an average, some people in Maharashtra earn as much as Rs. 2 per day. But that is more of an exception than the rule. The daily income, broadly speaking, is 75 nP., to Re. 1 per day for regular workers.

SHRI GOPIKRISHNA VIJAI VARGIYA: May I now know whether the entire scheme of Ambar Charkha is successful when compared with other improved charkhas? If it is successful, it should be carried out; otherwise it should be dropped entirely from the Government programme.

MR. CHAIRMAN: This is not a question.

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: As the House knows, we had appointed a Committee in order to make improvements on the Ambar Charkha. Unfortunately so far none of the new models which have come up is practicable from that angle unless you completely mechanise the Ambar Charkha with electric motor in which case the whole structure changes. The amount of investment also goes up and the basic scheme in the villages which are not having electricity does not get fulfilled. To the extent that Ambar Charkha is a great improvement on the traditional charkha, it has received great success.

SHRI K. SANTHANAM: May I know if it is not a fact that in most of the States the old charkha is still much more popular than the Ambar Charkha in spite of its so-called higher earning capacity?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: That would be true because traditions die hard and there are also certain counts of yarn like the 4, 6 and 8 which are required for durries and the old charkha is definitely much more convenient, comfortable and easy to operate

than the little more complex Ambar Charkha but in the higher counts of yarn like 16 and 40, the Ambar Charkha is definitely an improvement.

SHRI JAI NARAIN VYAS: The Minister spoke about the people trained in Ambar Charkha. My information is that more than 50 per cent, of the trained personnel have left service. Will he kindly state what percentage of the Ambar Charkha-trained people are in service in Khadi Bhandars and what percentage of people have left the service?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: All of them have not been trained for being employed in the Centres. As the House is aware, there was no question of employing them. Only to make them self-employed they have been trained so that later on they can take to Charkha. According to the survey done by the Gyan Chand Committee, 60 per cent, have been working the Charkhas.

SHRI B. K. GAIKWAD: How much have the Government spent on Ambar Charkha and how much of yarn has been produced on Ambar Charkha?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: In the Third Plan Rs. 32 crores have been provided for the five years for encouragement and development of the Ambar Charkha.

SHRI B. K. GAIKWAD: How much have the Government spent?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: If he wants the break-up, I will give but this is the amount for the Plan period and in the Second Plan we had about Rs. 30 crores.

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