

**t [PRODUCTION OF RAIL COACHES BY HINDUSTAN AIRCRAFT LIMITED**

\*48. SHRI RAM SAHAI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any further increase has been made in the production of rail coaches in the Hindustan Aircraft Limited, Bangalore, where the production reached 25 coaches per month since April, 1961; and

(b) what was the total production of rail coaches during 1961-62?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI K. RAGHURAMAIAH): (a) The rail coach factory of Hindustan Aircraft Limited has been planned for a maximum production output of 25 integral rail coaches per month. The question of further increase in production does not, therefore, arise at present.

(b) During 1961-62, 245 integral rail coaches were produced at Hindustan Aircraft Limited.

‡[प्रतिरक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के० रघुरमैया): (क) हिन्दुस्तान एयरक्राफ्ट लिमिटेड, के. रेल के डिब्बे बनाने के कारखाने में २५ अभिन्नान्ग डिब्बे मासिक बनाने के अधिकतम निर्माण के लिए योजना बनाई गई है। इसलिये निर्माण में और वृद्धि करने का वर्तमान में प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ख) १९६१-६२ में हिन्दुस्तान एयरक्राफ्ट लिमिटेड में २४५ अभिन्नान्ग डिब्बों का निर्माण किया गया था।]

I might add, Sir, that we reached peak load in the first quarter of 1961-62, but later due to shortage of steel and other raw materials, there was a slight decline in the output. At the present moment we are again

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maintaining the full rate of production.

श्री राम सहाय : क्या मैं यह जान सकूंगा कि सरकार को यह मालूम है कि रेलवे को इस तरह के डिब्बों की बहुत ज्यादा आवश्यकता होती है और इस आवश्यकता को पूरा करने के लिए सरकार इस बारे में विचार करेगी और कोई प्रोग्राम बनायेगी ?

SHRI K. RAGHURAMAIAH: Sir, this is a matter of arrangements between the Railways and the Ministry of Defence depending on our production programme and their requirements.

श्री बिमलकुमार मन्नालास्वजी चौरङ्गिया: क्या माननीय मन्त्री जी बतायेंगे कि जो आपकी २५ डिब्बे प्रतिदिन बनाने की क्षमता है, उसके अनुरूप भी पूरा काम नहीं हो पाता है, इसका क्या कारण है ?

SHRI K. RAGHURAMAIAH: I have already explained that the maximum capacity which is scheduled here could not be reached during some portion of 1961-62 because of shortage of steel and certain other raw materials, but since then we have made up those requirements and we are now producing at the maximum rate.

**शक्तिमान ट्रक**

\*४९. श्री राम सहाय : क्या प्रतिरक्षा मन्त्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) अप्रैल, १९६१ से जनवरी, १९६२ तक जो ८९९ शक्तिमान ट्रक आर्डरनेस कारखानों में तैयार किये गये उनमें से मिलिटरी के कार्य के लिये कितने रखे गये ; और

(ख) क्या इस में से कोई ट्रक जनता के उपयोग के लिये भी बेचे गये ?

**SHAKTIMAN TRUCKS**

\*49. SHRI RAM SAHAI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) how many of the 899 Shaktiman Trucks produced in the Ordnance Factories during the period April, 1961 to January, 1962 have been retained for use of the Military; and

(b) whether any of these trucks were also sold to the public?]

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI V. K. KRISHNA MENON) : (a) and (b) All the Shaktiman trucks so far manufactured in the Ordnance Factories have been issued to the Army.

‡[प्रतिरक्षा मंत्री (श्री वी० के० कृष्ण मेनन) : (क) तथा (ख) अब तक प्रतिरक्षा कारखानों में जितने भी शक्तिमान ट्रकों का निर्माण हुआ है, वेना को दे दिये गये हैं।

SHRI BABUBHAI CHINAI: May I know the cost of Shaktiman Trucks which have been manufactured for Army purposes?

SHRI V. K. KRISHNA MENON: I would not like to be committed to the exact figure, but I think it is about Rs. 35,000. I will correct the figure later if it is incorrect but it is approximately that much.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Subject to correction, Rs. 35,000.

SHRI BABUBHAI CHINAI: May I know, Sir, whether this rough cost works favourably with other similar trucks?

SHRI V. K. KRISHNA MENON: Very considerably so.

SHRI JOSEPH MATHEN: May I know, Sir, the percentage of imported material that is used in the manufacture of these trucks.

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SHRI K. RAGHURAMAIAH: At the present moment the indigenous content works out to about 50 per cent, but we have under schedule a programme by which in about a few months' time we expect to go up to 70 per cent, indigenous content.

SHRI B. K. P. SINHA: May I know, Sir, how the performance and durability of these trucks compare with the other trucks manufactured in this country or imported from outside?

SHRI V. K. KRISHNA MENON: The load-carrying capacity of these trucks is considerably better than the ones we have so far used. And so is its speed. About durability (there has not been one single complaint from the Army.

PANDIT S. S. N. TANKHA: May I know, Sir, if it is intended to step up the production of these trucks in the near future, so as to make them available for export to nearby Asian countries.

SHRI V. K. KRISHNA MENON: Depending upon the availability at foreign exchange through normal channels of the Ministry of Commerce.

**PULLING DOWN OF 'JHUGGIS' IN DEFENCE COLONY**

/SHRI R. P. N. SINHA: t \SHRI RAM SAHAI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIR\* be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of "Jhuggis" in the Defence Colony were pulled down by the police on the 6th of April, 1962 under instructions from the Delhi Municipal Corporation;

(b) whether it is a fact that the land on which the dwellings were constructed belonged to Government;

fThe question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri R. P. N. Sinha.