## RAJYA SABHA

Thursday, the 26th November, 1959/ the 5th Agrahayana, 1881 (Saka)

The House met at eleven of the clock, Mr. Chairman in the Chair.

## ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

\*125. [The questioner (Shri T. S. Pattabiraman) was absent. For answer, vide col. 512 infra.]

## MEETING OF THE CHAIRMEN OF THE DEVELOPMENT COUNCILS

- \*126. SHRI S. PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that a meeting of the Chairmen of the Development Councils was held on the 25th September, 1959; and
- (b) if so, what are the details of the subjects discussed and the decision arrived at in the meeting?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Apart from a general discussion on the work done by Development Councils so far suggestions were also made to make these Councils more effective in their working.

SHRI S. PANIGRAHI: May I know, Sir, the steps that have been taken or that are going to be taken in respect of export promotion?

Shri Manubhai shah: Sir, as the House is aware, there are Export Promotion Councils being established for different groups of industries, and in most of the cases the Development Councils also are appointing their own sub-committees for export promotion.

Shri S. PANIGRAHI: May I know, Sir, the classes of industries—which are going to be covered for this purpose, according to the decision of the Development Council?

Shri Manubhai Shah: If the hon, Member refers to the 16 Development Councils which have been notified, he will find that they are for different industries—chemicals, engineering, transport, etc.

Shri S. PANIGRAHI: May I know, Sir, whether any discussion has taken place or any decision has been arrived at with regard to the maintenance of certain standards or qualities of goods?

Shri Manubhai Shah: Well, Sir, that is one of the important functions of the Council, and they look into the quality requirements. Apart from this, Sir, certain Indian Standard Specifications are being worked out for different commodities.

मास्को स्थित भारतीय मिशन के ब्रिधिकारियों के विरुद्ध दिल्ली नगर निगम प्रतिनिधिमंडल के ब्रारीप

क्या प्रवान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) वया सरकार का ध्यान २४ सितम्बर, १६५६ के 'टाइम्स ग्राफ इंडिया' के दिल्ली संस्करण में प्रकाशित एक रिपोर्ट की ग्रोर दिलाया गया है जो दिल्ली नगर निगम के सदभावना दल के विदेशों से लौट हुये सदस्यों के इस कथन के बारे में है कि मास्को स्थित भारतीय राजदूतावास के ग्रिधिकारियों का व्यवहार इन के साथ ग्रच्छा नहीं रहा ग्रौर भारत से उनको भेजे गये पत्र व तार उन्हें नहीं दिये गये; ग्रौर
  - (ख) यदि उपरोक्तभाग (क) का उतर 'हाँ' हो तो इस सम्बन्ध म सही स्थिति. क्या है ?

‡The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Nawab Singh Chauhan.