

this year, the tobacco called the country variety of tobacco was not exported. There was no export at all compared to what it was last year, and the traders and producers were put to great misery?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: The question relates to the first quarter of 1959. The exports for 1958 were better than 1957, and in the first quarter of 1959 they were higher than the first quarter of 1958.

PLANNING COMMISSION'S MEMBERS  
PARTICIPATION IN THE A.I.C.C.  
PLANNING SEMINAR

\*144. SHRI S. C. DEB: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the members of the Planning Commission participated in the All India Congress Committee Planning Seminar held at Ootacamund recently; and

(b) whether Rs. 10,000 crores was proposed to be the target for the Third Five Year Plan?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRI S. N. MISHRA): (a) Yes, some Members of the Planning Commission attended by special invitation.

(b) This was discussed at the Seminar. Attention is invited to the statement issued after the Seminar by the authorities concerned.

SHRI S. C. DEB: May I know, Sir, if the decisions taken in that Seminar will be the basis on which the Third Five Year Plan will be drawn up?

SHRI S. N. MISHRA: No particular kind of decision was taken in the Seminar but the deliberations of this Seminar helped in clarifying many points. The deliberations were organised to assist the Planning Committee of the A.I.C.C. in coming to certain decisions.

SHRI S. C. DEB: May I know, Sir, what are the salient points that were discussed there?

SHRI S. N. MISHRA: Four or five important subjects were discussed, namely:—

- (i) the approach to the Plan, or its grand strategy;
- (ii) implications of the socialist pattern of society;
- (iii) location and mobilisation of resources;
- (iv) wages, prices and profits; and
- (v) institutional changes.

SHRI S. C. DEB: May I know, Sir, what is the meaning of institutional changes?

SHRI S. N. MISHRA: I could not follow.

MR. CHAIRMAN: "What is the meaning of institutional changes?"

SHRI S. N. MISHRA: Apparently, it means changes in the institutions which can help in realizing the objectives of the Plan in the particular context. Now, the institution might be in the economic, social or, to a certain extent, it might be in the political field also.

SHRI S. C. DEB: May I know, Sir, whether 'institutional changes' means planning on economic matters and other things?

SHRI S. N. MISHRA: I did not get the question.

SHRI S. C. DEB: I want to know whether 'institutional changes' also include matters like economic development and other things?

SHRI S. N. MISHRA: Economic development is the very objective of these institutional changes.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: I only wanted to know here whether the Members of the Planning Commission were invited there as a part of the plan of the Planning Commission, and whether they would be available to any party in the country for formulating their party plans?

**SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU:** It is the function of the Planning Commission to help everybody in getting a clear understanding as to what the issues before the country are. Whatever party seriously wants to understand them will be helped by the Planning Commission.

**SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA:** I am very glad over what the Prime Minister said. In that case, may I know, Sir, . . .

**SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN:** May I know, Sir, if it is not a fact that experts of other parties and of other views were also invited besides the Members of the Planning Commission?

**SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU:** Yes, Sir. There were quite a number of eminent persons—non-political people, economists and other experts.

**SHRI ROHIT M. DAVE:** May I know, Sir, if the papers read at the Seminar and the report of the Seminar will be made available to the Members of Parliament?

**SHRI S. N. MISHRA:** As the Planning Committee of the A.I.C.C. wants to publish the report of the Seminar, I think, it should be available to the Members from the market. It is not the business of the Planning Commission to make available the reports published by other bodies.

**SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA:** It is a strange answer. The Minister wants us to purchase the A. I. C. C. Bulletins. The hon. Prime Minister has said that it is the function of the Planning Commission to help others in understanding the problem if they are seriously interested. It is an ideal, I believe. May I know, Sir, why then the Planning Commission is not calling other parties—representatives of other parties—to discuss this matter in all its aspects when the Third Five Year Plan is being mooted, before actually coming to their conclusion, as to what

should be the nature of the Third Five Year Plan?

**SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU:** As a matter of fact, Sir, the Planning Commission does endeavour to get in touch with the members of various parties, groups and professions, and numerous panels are formed where experts and various parties are represented. At the present moment, Sir, the Planning Commission is in a state of incubation in regard to the Third Plan. This effort was made by the All India Congress Committee of its own accord. It is not the Planning Commission which made it. Because they were thinking about these matters, they invited the Planning Commission, and the Planning Commission's representatives were glad to discuss these matters with them. But I can assure the hon. Member that so far as the Planning Commission is concerned, it wants to discuss these matters with the representatives of all groups and parties and to have their advice and co-operation in them.

**MR. CHAIRMAN:** Next question.

**RAW FILM FACTORY AT OOTACAMUND**

\*145. **SHRI N. M. LINGAM:** Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer given to Unstarred Question No. 132 in the Rajya Sabha on the 6th May, 1959 and state the stage at which the establishment of a raw film factory at Ootacamund stands at present?

**THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH):** Negotiations are still in progress with several prominent raw film manufacturing firms in the world and firm proposals are expected from some of them at an early date.

**SHRI N. M. LINGAM:** Is it a fact that the hon. Minister had negotiations with the Fuji Films while he was in Japan in connection with the setting up of this factory here, and if so, what is the result of those negotiations?