

SHRI GOVIND BALLABH PANT: If a person abets an offence, I think he is an abettor but I do not know whether having such a man in his own residence once means harbouring.

SHRI TAJAMUL HUSAIN: Is there a visa called ...

MR. CHAIRMAN: You are in such a hurry that you do not allow him even to complete the reply.

SHRI TAJAMUL HUSAIN: I am sorry. I did not hear. I did not know that he was continuing.

SHRI JASWANT SINGH: If any Pakistani national tries to enter India without a passport and if he is detected on the border, is he allowed to enter this country or is he sent back?

SHRI GOVIND BALLABH PANT: It all depends on the circumstances of the case. He is usually prevented from coming in but sometimes there are difficulties. In the eastern border, the Pakistani citizens can come across to our side. They cultivate lands in large numbers which have been allotted to them here and they are even allowed to take part of the produce to Pakistan. Under that guise people can come but there are difficulties and it is not a very simple problem.

RESUMPTION OF DRILLING FOR OIL IN JAWALAMUKHI

***30. SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK:** Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND FUEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the drilling operations at Jawalamukhi which were suspended some time ago on account of an accident have since been resumed; if so, since when they have been resumed; and

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, when they are likely to be resumed?

THE MINISTER OF MINES AND OIL (SHRI K. D. MALAVIYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Within a few days, after the completion of the present series of tests being carried out there.

SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: May I know whether it is a fact that the recent postponement is owing to the second set of explosions, as reported in the paper?

SHRI K. D. MALAVIYA: No, Sir.

SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: What is the approximate loss on account of the explosions which occurred?

SHRI K. D. MALAVIYA: In such exploratory drilling, these postponements of drillings are a natural part of the game. Therefore, it is not very correct to say that on account of these stoppages or accidental postponements some financial loss has really occurred.

SHRI MAHESWAR NAIK: May I know the extent of expenditure so far incurred and likely to be incurred for the exploratory drilling?

SHRI K. D. MALAVIYA: Our estimated expenditure for this 10,000 feet deep drilling operations is about forty lakhs of rupees. I do not know how much it will come to in the end.

SHRI M. H. SAMUEL: On what area is this prospecting done? Is it on the basis of a square mile or on a lesser unit?

MR. CHAIRMAN: On what basis is prospecting done, on the basis of a square mile or a smaller unit?

SHRI M. H. SAMUEL: A lot of expenditure will be saved if you do it on a smaller unit.

SHRI K. D. MALAVIYA: My hon. friend is not quite correct in referring to square miles. Exploratory drilling is always done at a point where after a lot of investigation the experts come to the decision that

there may be a possibility of finding oil. We are boring a hole of about ten inches in diameter and about 10,000 feet in depth . . .

SHRI AMOLAKH CHAND: May I know, Sir, whether the electrologging and perforation on this well has been completed and if not, when is it likely to be completed?

SHRI K. D. MALAVIYA: Electrologging processes have all been completed and they have shown proof of the possibility of several oil horizons. We are now doing the perforation tests.

**EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONS DISPLACED BY
LAND ACQUISITION AT DURGAPUR STEEL
PROJECT**

*31. { **SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA:**
 SHRI N. C. SEKHAR:

Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND FUEL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons displaced by the acquisition of land and homesteads for the Durgapur Steel Project;

(b) how many of them have been employed in the construction work of the Project; and

(c) whether Government have received any complaints from the affected persons about their non-employment in the Project?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND FUEL (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH):

(a) About 3,000.

(b) About 130 have been employed directly by the Project. More are employed by the contractors, but the exact number is not known.

(c) There has been no specific complaint. But, in a letter claiming to be from an Office Secretary of displaced persons of one of the villages, it has been suggested that first priority should be given to displaced persons, for employment in the Project.

SHRI N. C. SEKHAR: Is it not a fact that the Government had pro-

mised these people at the time of their displacement that all able-bodied people, both male and female, among the displaced persons will be employed in this Project?

SARDAR SWARAN SINGH: I do not think that there was any promise of this type, nor could a promise of this type really be made.

SHRI N. C. SEKHAR: Will the Government consider their cases sympathetically since they have sent in their demands to the Home Ministry, to the Ministry of Steel, Mines and Fuel, to all the concerned Ministries as well as to the Central Government and requested that those demands should be conceded? Will Government consider their cases and do the needful to save them from starvation and to mitigate their other difficulties?

SARDAR SWARAN SINGH: In this case, Sir, about 16,250 acres of land have been notified for acquisition. Of this, 13,755 acres have been taken possession of. Compensation to be paid is Rs. 2,16,44,743. Therefore, with all this compensation that is to be paid, to make any suggestion that people will starve is, I think, not very correct.

SHRI N. C. SEKHAR: Has it been paid fully?

SARDAR SWARAN SINGH: Out of this Rs. 2 crores odd Rs. 1,26,45,192 has already been paid.

SHRI N. C. SEKHAR: May I know, Sir, whether they have put forward any demands before the Government and, if so, what are those demands?

SARDAR SWARAN SINGH: I have already said, Sir, in part (c) of my reply that a letter has been received from a person who claims to be a secretary of the displaced persons of one of the villages. He has made certain suggestions that a school may be opened or that a library may be opened or that work may be provided. Now, this type of suggestions that are