

continuing, the Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysore and the Central Drug Research Institute, Lucknow. All others have given it up as a hopeless project; nothing could be done.

DR. RAGHUBIR SINH: What about the help of foreign experts?

DR. MONO MOHAN DAS: I think that particular information is not at my disposal, but I think there may be some foreign experts working also in these institutions, but I am not sure on this point.

SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: Is it not a fact that Shri Satish Chandra Das Gupta of Khadi Pratish-tan had suggested a certain colour for the purpose some time back?

DR. MONO MOHAN DAS: Sir, the Ghee Adulteration Committee wanted a colour which will satisfy the following conditions: The dye should be easily soluble in Vanaspati. The colour produced by the dye when added to Vanaspati should be pleasant to the eye. The quantity of the dye required should be small. The addition of the dye should not cause a change in the taste and flavour of Vanaspati. The dye should be cheap and easily available in quantities sufficient for the whole annual production of Vanaspati.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That will do.

DR. MONO MOHAN DAS: All these conditions have not been satisfied.

SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: My question was if Shri Satish Chandra Das Gupta of Khadi Pratish-tan had suggested a colour satisfying many of these conditions, some time back.

DR. MONO MOHAN DAS: Sir, no colour that has been found out till this time could satisfy all the conditions that have been laid down.

MR. CHAIRMAN: It may be pleasant to the eye but not soothing to the mind. What could be done?

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO LOOK INTO THE QUESTION OF TRANSPORT FACILITIES BETWEEN MAINLAND AND OTHER ISLANDS**

•218. SHRIMATI SAVITRY DEVI NIGAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 528 in the Rajya Sabha on the 19th December, 1957 and state:

(a) the approximate time by which the Committee appointed for finding out the possibilities of transport facilities between the Log Island and the South Andaman is likely to submit its report; and

(b) the names of the members of the Committee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI B. N. DATAR) : (a) The Committee is expected to submit its report by the end of March, 1958.

(b) The members of the Committee are:

1. Shri T. G. N. Ayyar, I.C.S., Chief, Commissioner, Andaman and Nicobar Islands—*Chairman*.
2. Shri M. M. Srinivasan, I.F.S., Chief Conservator of Forests, Andaman and Nicobar Islands—*Member*.
3. Shri C. A. Buch, Commercial Adviser to the Eastern Shipping Corporation, Bombay—*Member*.
4. Shri M. K. Sandel, Engineer and Harbour Master, Port Blair—*Ex-Officio Member*.

SHRIMATI SAVITRY DEVI NIGAM: May I know, Sir, if Government has any idea as to how much time it will take to have a regular air service to the Andamans?

SHRI B. N. DATAR: That is entirely a different question; it does not deal with this.

SHRIMATI SAVITRY DEVI NIGAM: No, Sir, it has got everything to do with the same question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: "Transport facilities between . . .

SHRI B. N. DATAR: Yes, Sir, the question of the traffic facilities between the mainland and the Andaman Islands is under consideration. So far as this is concerned there would be some steamer service.

SHRIMATI SAVITRY DEVI NIGAM: May I know, Sir, if Government has ever given any thought to find out the possibility of permitting the other cargo ships to touch the Andaman shores while they go to Burma and Singapore?

SHRI B. N. DATAR: Government are considering all these questions and as soon as the report is received Government would take proper action.

SHRIMATI SAVITRY DEVI NIGAM: May I know, Sir, if Government is aware that there is a very good airstrip in the Andamans, which can be used after doing small repairs?

SHRI B. N. DATAR: Government will consider that also.

SHRI B. SHIVA RAO: The question allows of a general supplementary question also. May I ask the hon. Minister whether this committee is looking into the transport facilities between the mainland and the Laccadives?

SHRI B. N. DATAR: No, Sir. This is only so far as the numerous little islands in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands are concerned.

SHRI B. SHIVA RAO: The title of the question is "between the mainland and other islands." Not Andamans only.

SHRI B. N. DATAR: The hon. Member is asking about the Laccadives, Sir. It is entirely different.

SHRI B. SHIVA RAO: They also happen to be islands.

SHRI B. N. DATAR: It is not covered.

# COMPLAINTS IN RESPECT OF LADY NOYCE SCHOOL, NEW DELHI

\*219. SHRIMATI SAVITRY DEVI NIGAM: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 444 in the Rajya Sabha on the 16th December, 1957 and state:

(a) what is the present number of students and teachers in Lady Noyce School, New Delhi; and

(b) whether there was any complaint about the shortage of teachers in that School as compared to the number of students, as prescribed in the rules for the education of the deaf and dumb?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (DR. K. L. SHRIMALI): (a) Students 216, Teachers 23.

(b) Yes, Sir.

श्रीमती सावित्री निगम : श्रीमन् क्या मैं यह जान सकती हूँ कि सन् १९५६-५७ में कितने विद्यार्थियों ने एडमिशन के लिये प्रार्थना पत्र भेजे और कितने एडमिट किये गये ?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: Sir, the school has no record of the number of applications of students which have been rejected.

श्रीमती सावित्री निगम : क्या यह सच है कि इस विद्यालय के अनेक शिक्षकों को कई सालों से न तो कोई इन्क्रिमेंट्स दिये गये हैं और न उनमें से कई एक शिक्षकों को पर्सनिंग किया गया है ?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: I shall need notice with regard to that question.

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: But is it correct, the complaint made that according to the prescribed rules the number <<