

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: So far as I am aware, there is one depot but I would not be able to say definitely because there are 50 Emporia at least, a list of which I will place on the Table of the House if the Hon'ble Member wants it.

**PROPERTIES AUCTIONED FROM THE
COMPENSATION POOL**

*344. SHRI V. K. DHAGE: Will the Minister of REHABILITATION AND MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the reply given to a supplementary to Starred Question No. 134 in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st November, 1957 and state:

(a) whether some properties forming part of the Compensation Pool are auction able; and

(b) if so, what is the value of such properties that have so far been auctioned?

THE MINISTER OF REHABILITATION AND MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA): (a) Yes.

(b) Up to the 30th September 1957, 37,752 acquired evacuee properties and 7,310 Government built properties had been sold for Rs. 28' 37 and 6-64 crores, respectively.

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: What is the total compensation payable to the displaced persons in this matter of properties?

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: Our pool comprises of Rs. 185 crores.

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: May I know whether any such response has been received from Pakistan Government? Have any claims been placed with that Government in this regard?

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: We have left immovable assets of about Rs. 500 crores in Pakistan. The value of assets they have left in India is only about Rs. 100 crores. We have

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been approaching the Government of Pakistan often to see whether something could be done in the matter but the response has been highly unsatisfactory.

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: Is it a fact that the Government of Pakistan has been encouraging the displaced persons over there to file fantastic claims?

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: I read a statement in the press that claims to the extent of Rs. 2,200 crores have been filed in Pakistan. It is unofficial news I "am giving. They have claimed even Red Fort and Tai Mahal, I understand. I am only saying what I heard.

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: May I know whether Government has claimed this Rs. 400 crores from the Government of Pakistan and how often?

SHRI MEHR CHAND KHANNA: In the earlier stages there has been a lot of correspondence at the level of the Prime Ministers as well as the level of Rehabilitation Ministers. We had suggested to the Government of Pakistan that the method of evaluation may be evolved between both these Governments and when these claims have been assessed, the paying capacity of the debtor Government may be taken into consideration. We even suggested reference to an international tribunal. But the Government of Pakistan, as I recently stated, have been very averse to entering into any arrangement on those lines.

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सम्बन्ध में पाकिस्तानी शिष्टमण्डल का
भारत आगमन**

***३४५. श्री राम सहाय : क्या प्रधान
मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :**

(क) क्या अपहृत व्यक्तियों की पुनः
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मंडल भारत आया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके आने का उद्देश्य क्या है; और

(ग) इस विषय में हुई बातों का क्या परिणाम निकला ?

t [PAKISTANI DELEGATION'S VISIT TO INDIA IN CONNECTION WITH THERECOVERY OF ABDUCTED PERSONS

*345. SHRI RAM SAHAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Pakistani Delegation has come to India in connection with the recovery of abducted persons;

(b) if so, what is the purpose of its visit; and

(c) what has been the result of the talks in the matter?]

इस्पात, खान, और ईंधन मंत्री (सरदार स्वर्ण सिंह) : (क), (ख) और (ग) पाकिस्तान सरकार के पुनर्वाप मंत्री, हाजी मौला बख्श समरू मुझसे २३ और २६ नवंबर, १९५७ को मिले और उन्होंने कहा कि अपहृत व्यक्ति (पुनः प्राप्ति और पुनः स्थापन) ऐक्ट [Abducted Persons (Recovery and Restoration) Act] को अभी चलने दिया जाय। यह ऐक्ट ३० नवंबर १९५३ को खरब हो गया है। उन्हें समझाया गया है कि इस कानून को समय-समय पर सिर्फ निश्चित अवधियों के लिए ही बढ़ाया गया था। इस ऐक्ट को जब पिछली बार बढ़ाया गया था तो संसद में स्पष्ट कर दिया गया था कि अब इसे और न बढ़ाया जाएगा। पाकिस्तानी मंत्री को यह सूचना भी दी गई थी कि भारत सरकार अपनी आम नीति के अनुसार संबद्ध क्षेत्रों से अपहृत लोगों की पुनःप्राप्ति के लिए भुविघाण देती रहेगी, बशर्ते कि लोग खुद अपनी मर्जी से पाकिस्तान जाना चाहें। पाकिस्तानी मंत्री को इसकी भी सूचना दी गई थी कि पाकिस्तान

से अपहृत लोगों की पुनःप्राप्ति और पुनः-स्थापन के बारे में पाकिस्तान सरकार जो काम कर रही हो, उसमें भी भारत सहयोग देता रहेगा और यह विचार न करेगा कि उक्त उद्देश्य के लिए वहां की सरकार द्वारा स्थापित संगठन का स्वरूप कैसा है।

t[THE MINISTER OF STEEL MINES AND FUEL (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH): (a) to (c). Haji Maula Bux Sumroo, Minister of State for Rehabilitation, Government of Pakistan met me on the 27th and 29th November 1957 and urged the continuance of the Abducted Persons (Recovery and Restoration) Act, which has expired on the 30th November 1957. It was explained to him that this legislation had been renewed from time to time only for specified periods and that it was made clear in the Parliament on the last occasion when the Act was extended that this was to be the last extension. The Pakistan Minister was also informed that in conformity with the general policy of the Government of India, facilities will continue to be afforded for the restoration of abducted persons from the areas affected provided they wish to go over to Pakistan of their own free will. The Pakistan Minister was further informed that India will also continue to cooperate with the Pakistan Government in the work connected with recovery and restoration of abducted persons from Pakistan whatever the structure of organisation maintained by that Government for this purpose may be.]

श्री राम सहाय : क्या मंत्री महोदय यह बतलाने की कृपा करेंगे कि क्या गवर्नमेंट का यह ख्याल है कि भारतवर्ष के कुछ व्यक्ति या कुछ स्त्रियां अब भी पाकिस्तान में मौजूद हैं ?

SARDAR SWARAN SINGH: It is a fact that some of the Hindu and Sikh abducted women and children are still left in Pakistan.

SHRI GOPIKRISHNA VIJAI VARGIYA: How can we co-operate with Pakistan?

SARDAR SWARAN SINGH: Supposing they say that a recovered woman has to be sent across to this country, we are to receive that woman.

SHRI D. A. MIRZA: What is the attitude of Government towards those abducted women who have settled down as married women in this country?

SARDAR SWARAN SINGH: The attitude of the Government has been made very clear in my statement that those who want to go of their own free will be afforded some facility to exercise their will and desire.

SHRI D. A. MIRZA: Are there any women who want to go back of their own free will after having settled down for 10 years here?

SARDAR SWARAN SINGH: I cannot make a guess. After all during all this period women have expressed their desire to go over to Pakistan just as they have expressed their desire to come over to India.

SHRI D. A. MIRZA: Is it a fact that force is resorted to to remove them from this country?

SARDAR SWARAN SINGH: No, that is entirely incorrect.

WORKERS' PARTICIPATION IN MANAGEMENT

*334. SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the industrial concerns State-
- (b) the reasons why other concerns are not following the scheme relating to workers' participation in management?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI ABID ALI): (a) (i) The Tata Iron and Steel Co., Jamshedpur, Bihar.

(ii) The Simpsons Group of Industries, Madras.

(hi) The Modi Spinning and Weaving Mills Co., Ltd., Modinagar, U.P.

(iv) State Transport (Madras).

(b) According to the decision reached in the Tripartite Sub-Committee on worker participation in management the scheme is to be tried on a voluntary basis in about 50 units and the needful is being done to implement the said decision

SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: May I know if these workers who participate are chosen by the management or by the workers themselves?

SHRI ABID ALI: Appropriate scheme is being formulated in consultation with the parties concerned and they certainly will not be chosen by the management only.

SHRI DEOKINANDAN NARAYAN: May I know if there is any arrangement made by the Government for the training of these workers so that they may take equitable part in the management?

SHRI ABID ALI: Yes, we are having a regular training scheme so that the workers should be brought up to this standard.

SHRI B. K. MUKERJEE: May I know if any action has been taken by the Government to establish this sort of arrangements in any establishment run by the Government direct or by any statutory body that is responsible to the Government of India?

SHRI ABID ALI: 50 units are to be selected for this purpose in which public sector also will find a decent place.

to participate in management; and