

nationals. The capital so far subscribed is Rs. 35,22,000 only. This includes shares worth Rs. 35 lakhs issued to the Japanese Company.

(c) For the current year, about 15—20 per cent of the total requirements of sheet glass in the country are expected to be met from the production of this factory.

The factory is expected to meet 30—35 per cent, of the country's requirements after it has gone into full production.

DR. RAGHUBIR SINH: May I know how in the matter of quality and price the sheet glass produced here will compare with those imported?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: The quality is first class and the price also is about 10 to 20 per cent lower.

SHRI KISHEN CHAND: May I know from the hon. Minister, since he has stated that out of the authorised capital of Rs. 65 lakhs only Rs. 35,22,000 has been so far subscribed, what steps are being taken for the remaining capital?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: As the hon. Member knows, since he comes from business, usually the authorised capital is never fully subscribed from the beginning. As they go along and when they want more money, then they throw open the rest of the capital. For the present Rs. 35,22,000 has been subscribed.

SHRI KISHEN CHAND: May I know, Sir, whether the Government is going to permit this concern to go in for other lines of production, as for example, hollow-ware and bottles?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: For the present, they will confine themselves to the production of glass of every variety, including sheet glass.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Is the factory the same as the Sodepore factory, or is it a different one?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: It is the same factory.

SHRI KISHEN CHAND: May I know, Sir, whether India is self-sufficient in the production of bottles and hollow-ware and whether production from this factory will have any unfavourable effect on the other factories in the country?

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: We are more than self-sufficient. As a matter of fact, we are utilising only about 70 per cent of the established capacity. Therefore, we are trying to promote exports in order to produce according to the rated capacity.

SHRI KISHEN CHAND: Sir, I have not got an answer to my question, whether production from this factory is going to adversely affect the other factories.

SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH: I thought I had made it clear that this is going to produce sheet glass and neither bottles nor hollow-ware. Therefore, it is not going to affect the others at all.

#### SETTING UP OF PLANTS FOR PRODUCTION OF COMPOST BRIQUETTES FROM NIGHT SOIL

\*453. DR. RAGHUBIR SINH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan for setting up plants for production of compost briquettes from night soil to be used as fertilisers;

(b) if so, whether the details of the plan have been worked out and what is going to be the likely cost of each plant; and

(c) whether there are any schemes for the manufacture of such plants?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI SATISH CHANDRA): (a) to (c). The feasibility of production of compost briquettes from night soil is being examined.