

(b) if so, what are the details of this project, and what will be its estimated cost, and

(c) how many persons are expected to get employment in this project?

THE MINISTER FOR INDUSTRIES (SHRI N KANUNGO): (a) No, Sir

(b) and (c) Do not arise

DR RAGHUBIR SINH: May I bring to the notice of the hon Minister the interview given by Mr C S P Verma, Development Officer, Commerce and Industry Ministry, Government of India, where he said that such a centre was going to be set up and that plentiful employment would be provided for the low income groups?

SHRI N KANUNGO: I take notice of what the hon Member says. Such matters are always under discussion with various States

OUTPUT OF DDT FACTORY, DELHI

*356 SHRI H C MATHUR: Will the Minister for PRODUCTION be pleased to state

(a) what is the output so far of the DDT Factory, Delhi, and

(b) what is the quantity and value of the different raw materials purchased so far for the factory?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR PRODUCTION (SHRI SATISH CHANDRA): (a) and (b) A statement is placed on the Table of the Sabha [See Appendix X, Annexure No 74]

SHRI H C MATHUR: May I know, Sir, what was the scheduled output for this factory and what is the actual output per month?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: The scheduled output is 700 tons per year. The present output is only 70 tons

SHRI H C MATHUR: In how many months?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: The factory started production only a few months ago

SHRI H C MATHUR: What accounts for this shortfall in the output?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: There are some initial teething troubles which are being got over. It is hoped that the production will begin according to schedule by the end of this financial year

SHRI H C MATHUR: What are those initial troubles?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: Some of the chemical raw materials used in the manufacture of DDT are very corrosive in nature. Spare parts which require frequent replacements, especially in a tropical climate, have been ordered but have not been received so far

SHRI H C MATHUR: Is it true that it was through some mistake and error of the management that this corrosion started, or was it only in the natural course?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: It was in the normal course. In tropical climate, certain rubber parts and plastic parts wear out more easily than in other places

SHRI H C MATHUR: May I know, whether the hon Minister has had some investigation conducted in this matter, or is it only the usual report which he has received? And what is the damage that has been caused because of this corrosion?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: I do not know of any abnormal damage having been caused to the plant. The only thing is that the spare parts which have been ordered have not yet been received. Smaller parts are being received by air, heavier parts will necessarily have to come by sea. All the same the factory is in production and the present output of one ton at present is according to schedule

SHRI JASPAT ROY KAPOOR: Is D.D.T. used to keep the factory godowns free of mosquitoes? And is the hon. Minister aware of the fact that the godowns and buildings of the factory itself are infested by mosquitoes? If this is so, will he be pleased to give the reason for it?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: It sounds rather strange. I have no personal information.

PROF. G. RANGA: Did not Government anticipate the kind of spare parts and the amount of spare parts also that they would be requiring in a tropical climate like our country, when they had experts to set up the factory?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: The entire equipment and plant was provided by UNTAA and UNICEF, under the technical aid programmes. When this equipment arrived here we found that more spare parts were required and they were ordered immediately.

SHRI KISHEN CHAND: May I know, Sir, whether it is a fact that due to corrosive action, the D.D.T. produced in this factory is not of the quality as specified and that there is no check on the quality of D.D.T. produced in this factory?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: According to my information, the Health Ministry which takes the entire output from this factory is satisfied with the product.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: May I know, Sir, if the hon. Minister is aware of complaints from various parts of India that the mosquitoes do not get killed by this kind of D.D.T?

(No reply.)

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: No answer to the mosquitoes being alive?

SHRI H. C. MATHUR: What part of the raw materials has been purchased from Delhi Chemicals?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: Sulphuric acid; oleum; chlorine and alcohol are supplied by Delhi Chemicals.

*357. [For answer, vide col. 2255 infra.]

*358. [For answer, vide col. 2258 infra.]

LIFT IRRIGATION SYSTEM IN ORISSA

*359. SHRI S. PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister for PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been approached by the State Government of Orissa for financial assistance to start lift irrigation system in that State; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI J. S. L. HATHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

SHRI S. PANIGRAHI: May I know whether the Government have been aware of the successive droughts in Orissa States; and, if so, whether the Government have given any thought to the matter of the desirability of introducing this system in the State?

SHRI J. S. L. HATHI: There are certain minor irrigation works carried out in the State; and also major irrigation works are there no doubt. But for tube wells no proposal has come from the State Government for the First Five Year Plan.

SHRI S. PANIGRAHI: May I know the names of the other States in which this system of lift irrigation is working?

SHRI J. S. L. HATHI: I would require notice to mention all the States.

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*३६०. श्री नवाब सिंह चौहान : क्या वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

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