

DR. RADHA KUMUD MOOKERJI: Is it a fact that the total cumulative effect of this loss is as much as 5 lakh tons of sugar which is almost equal to the target of increased capacity which we are aiming at?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: I don't think it would be as high as that. But as I said it is not possible for us to calculate it.

DR. RADHA KUMUD MOOKERJI: May I know whether any large-scale application of insecticides with the help of helicopters has been tried anywhere and, if so, what the result thereof is?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: We have not tried helicopters on sugarcane so far, nor anywhere else as a matter of fact, but we do subsidise the use of insecticides to the extent of 50 per cent, whenever there is an attack and the use of insecticides is likely to prove effective.

DR. RADHA KUMUD MOOKERJI: Is it considered that the application of these insecticides will be economically possible in our country?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: Never anywhere on any extensive scale but it is useful indeed to try now and again in some areas.

DR. RADHA KUMUD MOOKERJI: Considering the huge economic losses that are inflicted by this pest, is it not time that the Government go seriously into this matter and adopt modern methods of insecticides?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: So far as it lies within our resources and within our power, we are conscious of the damage that is likely to occur.

मध्य भारत के लिए ट्रैक्टर

*४२२. श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास : क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि भारत सरकार द्वारा मध्य भारत सरकार

को अब तक कितने ट्रैक्टर दिये जा चुके हैं और इन ट्रैक्टरों का क्या मूल्य है ?

†[TRACTORS FOR MADHYA BHARAT

*433. SHRI KRISHNAKANT VYAS: Will the Minister for FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the number and value of tractors so far supplied by the Government of India to the Government of Madhya Bharat?]

कृषि मंत्री (डा० पी० एस० वंशमुख) : भारत सरकार ने मध्य भारत सरकार को अभी तक न कोई ट्रैक्टर बचे हैं ना ही कर्ज वगैराह पर दिये हैं ।

†[THE MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE (DR. P. S. DESHMUKH): No tractors have so far been supplied to the Madhya Bharat Government by way of sale, loan, etc. by the Government of India.]

श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास : क्या मध्य भारत ने सेंट्रल ट्रैक्टर आर्गनाइजेशन से कुछ ट्रैक्टरों की मांग की है ?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: Not to my knowledge.

श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास : क्या भारत सरकार या राज्य सरकारों की ऐसी कोई योजना है जिसके अन्तर्गत किसानों को ट्रैक्टर दिये जाने का कोई प्रबन्ध हो ?

डा० पी० एस० वंशमुख : जब कोई स्टेट गवर्नमेंट पैसे की और कर्ज की हमारे पास मांग करती है कि वह काश्तकारों को कुछ ट्रैक्टर खरीदने के लिये दें और अगर वह अच्छी स्कीम है तो हम मदद देते हैं ।

श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास : क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि ट्रैक्टर राज्य सरकारों को केंद्रीय सरकार के द्वारा दिये जाते हैं अथवा राज्य सरकारें खरीदती हैं ?

डा० पी० एस० वंशमुख : राज्य सरकारें खुद खरीदती हैं ।

*English translation.

PROF. G. RANGA: May I know, Sir, whether any efforts have been made to form co-operatives of the agriculturists there, so as to enable them to purchase these tractors from the Government?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: If my hon. friend refers to Madhya Bharat, the Central Government has not made any such effort, nor is it the duty of the Central Government to do it.

PROF. G. RANGA: But I want to know whether Government have any information at all about the position, either with the Madhya Bharat or with the Central Government. The hon. Minister said that the Central Government has not done any such thing, but have they any information as to whether the Government of Madhya Bharat has done anything in this direction?

DR. P. S. DESHMUKH: No, there are not many proposals of this sort.

TRAIN DERAILMENTS

*435. SHRI S. MAHANTY (ON BEHALF OF SHRI KISHEN CHAND). Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) the number of derailments of goods trains and mixed passenger trains which have occurred so far in the year 1955;

(b) the number of wagons involved in those derailments;

(c) the value of goods damaged in those derailments;

(d) the total loss incurred by the Railways; and

(e) whether any enquiry has been made into the general causes of derailments and if so, what are the findings?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SHRI O. V. ALAGESAN): (a) to (e). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

Train Derailments and losses incurred therein

(a) The total number of derailments to goods and mixed trains which occurred during the period from 1st January 1955 to 31st July 1955 were as follows:

Goods trains	...	475
Mixed trains	...	48
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(b) 737.

(c) Information is not readily available.

(d) The approximate cost of damage to Railway property was Rs. 490,317.

(e) An enquiry is held into every accident. Failure of Railway Staff and the failure of mechanical equipment were the two main causes, of these derailments.

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*436. श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास (श्री कन्हैया लाल वर्मा बैद्य के लिए): क्या खाद्य तथा कृषि मंत्री बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) इण्डियन काउंसिल आफ एग्रीकल्चरल रिसर्च की दूध संभरण योजना को 'मिल्क कोऑपरेटिव यूनियन, मेरठ' को बेचे जाने के बाद से क्या सरकार ने उसकी व्यवस्था पर कोई नियंत्रण रखा है और उसके द्वारा वितरित किये जाने वाले दूध तथा अन्य वस्तुओं की समय समय पर जांच कराने की कोई व्यवस्था की है;

(ख) यदि उपरोक्त भाग (क) का उत्तर हाँ में हो, तो वह व्यवस्था क्या है; और

(ग) यदि उपरोक्त भाग (क) का उत्तर नहीं में हो तो क्या सरकार ऐसी कोई व्यवस्था करना चाहती है ?