SHRI M. VALIULLA: May I know whether this institute will be on the same scale as the institute at Kharagpur?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: Yes, more or less on the same lines.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Is it the idea of the Government to have similar institutions established in the western and southern parts of the country also?

Dr. K. L. SHRIMALI: Yes, Government have proposals to set up more such institutes over the country.

Shri M. VALIULLA: May I know whether they will be established in the southern and western regions?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: The Kharagpur Institute has already been established. We are now considering setting up another institute in Bombay. With regard to the exact location of other institutes, the matter is still under consideration.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: May I know how many such institutes are there in the country today and how many new institutes have been started during the last five years?

Dr. K. L. SHRIMALI: As I have already explained, the Government have set up the technological Institute at Kharagpur and we are now proposing to set up another institute in Bombay. Under this scheme it is proposed to set up in all four institutes all over the country.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: May I know the total number of students who at the moment are getting training in these institutes?

Dr. K. L. SHRIMALI: Sir, I have not got the exact number just now about the Kharagpur Institute but the Sircar Committee originally recommended an intake of 2000 students at the undergraduate level and 1000 at the post-graduate level for it.

SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Is it a fact, Sir, that the existing arrangement and equipment for imparting such technical education is considered by competent authorities to be far too inadequate compared to the existing needs?

Dr. K. L. SHRIMALI: Government is doing everything that is possible to meet the requirements of our developing economy.

SHRI N. D. M. PRASADARAO: Will the foreign assistance come in the form of money, personnel or machinery?

DR. K. L. SHRIMALI: Equipment and technical assistance.

PRODUCTION OF RAILWAY COACHES IN THE HINDUSTAN AIRCRAFT LIMITED, BANGALORE

\*152. SHRI J. V. K. VALLABHA-RAO: Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) the total capacity of the Hindustan Aircraft Ltd., Bangalore, for the manufacture of railway coaches;
- (b) the number of coaches produced there during each of the last three years; and
- (c) the reasons for the inability to utilise the total capacity of railway coach production?

THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE ORGANISATION (SHRI MAHAVIR TYAGI): (a) Fifteen coaches per month.

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(c) Shortage of raw materials and certain bought-out items such as underframes, steel sheets and plates suitable quality.

Shri J. V. K. VALLABHARAO: May I know whether Government has received any note from the authorities there saying that they can produce

more coaches but that orders are not placed with them but with foreign countries?

SHRI MAHAVIR TYAGI: I could not follow the question, Sir.

SHRI J. V. K. VALLABHARAO: May I know whether the Ministry is aware that the production capacity is not properly used?

SHRI MAHAVIR TYAGI: As I have already stated in my answer, Sir, it could not be fully utilised because of shortage of raw materials. over, the Railway Board informed the Hindustan Aircraft Limited last year that as their Integral Coach Factory at Perambur would start producing 350 coaches a year from the following year, they would not require any coaches to be manufactured by Hindustan Aircraft Limited. They expect to meet their requirements of broad gauge coaches from Perambur Factory.

SHRI J. V. K. VALLABHARAO: Is it not a fact that similar model of coaches can be produced in the Hindustan Aircraft Limited itself?

SHRI MAHAVIR TYAGI: That is true.

Shri J. V. K. VALLABHARAO: Then why is it that Government does not place any orders with Hindustan Aircraft Limited?

SHRI MAHAVIR TYAGI: They are having their own factory at Perambur which would produce broad gauge coaches but we expect some orders to be placed with the Hindustan Aircraft Limited for metre gauge coaches.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: When the Hindustan Aircraft Limited has been manufacturing broad gauge very well, why is it that it is now asked to stop manufacture of broad gauge ones and manufacture metre gauge ones in its place?

Shri MAHAVIR TYAGI: As I said earlier, the Railway Board have their own Coach Factory at Perambur which would produce broad gauge coaches for them. Their requirements of broad gauge coaches will be met from that factory; we shall, however, manufacture metre gauge coaches for them.

SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY: May I know what kind of raw material is in short supply?

Shri MAHAVIR TYAGI: I have stated in my reply that underframes, steel sheets and plates of suitable quality are in short supply.

SHRI M. GOVINDA REDDY: They are bought-out items?

SHRI MAHAVIR TYAGI: Yes, Sir.

SHRI H. C. MATHUR: Is the hon. Minister aware that orders for these coaches have been placed with private firms?

SHRI MAHAVIR TYAGI: I have no ready information about it.

GRANT OF EXCESSIVE EMOLUMENTS TO AN OFFICER ON DEPUTATION UNDER THE COLOMBO PLAN

\*153. SHRI S. MAHANTY: Will the Minister for Finance be pleased to refer to paragraph 5 (b) of the Audit Report (Civil) 1954 Part I and state:

- (a) whether a total sum of Rs. 64,649, in the shape of salary, allowances, etc. was spent in 1954-55 on account of an officer of the Union Government placed on deputation under the Colombo Plan for a period of four months; and
- (b) if so, why such a special consideration was shown in the case of that officer?

THE MINISTER FOR REVENUE AND CIVIL EXPENDITURE (SHRI M. C. SHAH): (a) No, Sir.