

† [मालाना एम० फारुकी : क्या सरकार कोई ऐसी स्कीम पर गौर कर सकती जिसके जरिये यह काम पूरी तरह से चलाया जाय ?]

श्री डी० पी० करमरकर : सरकार गौर कर रही हैं पर नतीजा कुछ नहीं निकला। पायरायटिस और ज़िप्सम के बारे में खोज की जा रही है।

MANUFACTURE OF ENGINES AND BOILERS AT HINDUSTAN SHIPYARD

*398. DR. R. P. DUBE: Will the Minister for PRODUCTION be pleased to refer to this answer given to part (a) of Starred Question No. 19 in the Rajya Sabha on the 17th February, 1954 and state:

(a) whether the proposal for the manufacture of engines and boilers at the Hindustan Shipyards has since been implemented; and

(b) what steps have been taken so far to reduce the scale of subsidies paid to the Shipyards?

THE MINISTER FOR PRODUCTION (SHRI K. C. REDDY): (a) No. Government have examined the proposal and will consider its inclusion in the Second Five Year Plan in a modified form to cover the manufacture of diesel generators also.

(b) The following steps have been taken to reduce the cost of shipbuilding at Visakhapatnam:

(i) A reputed French firm, la Societe Anonyme des ATELIERS ET CHANTIERS de la LOIRE, have been engaged to render technical assistance so as to increase the efficiency and out-put of the Shipyards;

(ii) 800 workers who were surplus to requirements have been retrenched, resulting in an annual saving of about Rs. 10 lakhs to the Shipyards;

(iii) In order to keep the shipyard working to its full capacity, steps have been taken to secure full orders.

† Transliteration in Devanagari.

(iv) A development programme of the Shipyards estimated to cost about Rs. 196 lakhs has been approved by Government, the implementation of which would raise the capacity of the shipyard from 2½ ships a year to about 6 ships a year. These developments include, *inter alia* the construction of three new berths out of which two have already been completed, facilities for more extensive use of pre-fabrication and increase in craneage and other mechanical devices for quick handling of materials and thereby reducing cost;

(v) All possible assistance is given to the Shipyards in procuring its requirements of steel timber and machinery, so that the work in the Shipyards is not held up causing delays and inflating the wage bill and overheads;

(iv) Government have approved the construction of a Dry Dock by the shipyard. This is expected to bring more repair jobs for Shipyards and thus reduce overhead expenses.

DR. R. P. DUBE: When will the Dry Dock be ready, Sir?

SHRI K. C. REDDY: This question was answered some time ago in this House and I said, in reply to a question, that it would take about two to three years.

CONSTRUCTION OF D. D. T. FACTORY

*399. SHRI BASAPPA SHETTY Will the Minister for PRODUCTION be pleased to refer to paragraph 3 at page 16 of his Ministry's Annual report for 1953-54 and state:

(a) whether the construction of the D.D.T. Factory in Delhi has since been completed; and

(b) if so, what is the total cost of construction?

THE MINISTER FOR PRODUCTION (SHRI K. C. REDDY): (a) Yes, except for minor works.