

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO CHINA

*363. SHRI V. K. DHAGE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has received any invitation from the Government of Peoples' Republic of China to visit that country; and

(b) if so, when he proposes to visit that country?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI ANIL K. CHANDA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Probably about the middle of October 1954.

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: May I know whether the Prime Minister will meet the Prime Minister of Russia in China?

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: Pardon?

SHRI V. K. DHAGE: Has the Prime Minister seen a report in the press this morning that the Prime Minister of India will meet the Prime Minister of Russia?

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: No, I have not seen that report, nor heard of it. But if the Prime Minister of Russia is in China I shall meet him.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Prime Minister visit Indo-China also?

MR. CHAIRMAN: They are all talking from newspaper reports.

PROF. G. RANGA: But newspaper reports cannot be dismissed, Sir.

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: I am not going anywhere, but I have to pass through various countries when going to China.

SHRI S. MAHANTY: How many times in the past has the Prime Minister of India received invita-

tions from China? Or is this the first time that an invitation has come?

SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU: All these invitations normally come formally after informal approaches have been made. Informally mention was made of this on many occasions; but the formal invitation came only about two or three weeks ago.

SHRI S. MAHANTY: Is this the first time?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Panigrahi.

SHRI S. PANIGRAHI: Has the Prime Minister any invitation from the Prime Minister of the U.S.S.R. also?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That question does not arise; it is China we are discussing.

ELECTRIFICATION OF RURAL AREAS

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

(a) whether Government have any scheme for the electrification of rural areas under the Community Projects and the National Extension Service Schemes; and

(b) if so, whether any action has so far been taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR PLANNING (SHRI S. N. MISHRA): (a) and (b). The general question is under consideration. Meanwhile, schemes submitted by States are also approved if they could be financed from Community Project Funds.

SHRI S. PANIGRAHI: May I know the names of the Community Projects and their schemes which will be benefited by the electricity coming from the Hirakud dam?

SHRI S. N. MISHRA: Pardon?

SHRI S. PANIGRAHI: Which of the Community Project schemes will be

benefited by the electricity generated from the Hirakud dam?

SHRI S. N. MISHRA: We have not received any proposals from that area in that regard.

EMPORIUM AT GWALIOR

†*365. SHRI KRISHNAKANT VYAS: Will the Minister for COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to open an emporium at Gwalior (Madhya Bharat); if so, when; and

(b) whether there is any scheme for opening similar emporia at commercial centres, such as, Indore and Ujjain in that State?

THE MINISTER FOR COMMERCE (SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR): (a) An Emporium in Gwalior is now functioning.

(b) It is understood that the Government of Madhya Bharat have a scheme for expanding the emporium at Indore. The Central Government have not received any scheme from Madhya Bharat Government in respect of new emporia to be opened in Ujjain or in any other town in that State.

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ग्वालियर में एम्पोरियम

३६५. श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास : क्या वाणिज्य तथा उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ग्वालियर (मध्य भारत) में एक एम्पोरियम खोलने वाली है ; यदि हां तो कब तक ; और

(ख) क्या उस राज्य के इन्दौर, उज्जैन आदि व्यापारिक केन्द्रों में भी ऐसे ही एम्पोरियम खोलने की कोई योजना है ?

श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास: अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं अपने प्रश्न का उत्तर हिन्दी में चाहता हूँ ।

श्री डी० पी० कर्मरकर : (क) अभी ग्वालियर में एक एम्पोरियम चल रहा है ।

(ख) हमारी समझ में ऐसा आता है कि मध्यभारत गवर्नमेंट के पास एक स्कीम है कि इंदौर का एम्पोरियम बढ़ाया जाय । केन्द्रीय सरकार के पास ऐसी कोई स्कीम नहीं है जिसमें यह हो कि उज्जैन या किसी दूसरे शहर में एम्पोरियम स्टार्ट किया जाय या बढ़ाया जाय ।

श्री कृष्णकान्त व्यास : मैं यह जानना चाहता हूँ कि जो एम्पोरियम ग्वालियर में खुला है वह सेंट्रल गवर्नमेंट की तरफ से खुला है या मध्यभारत गवर्नमेंट की तरफ से ?

श्री डी० पी० कर्मरकर : मध्यभारत गवर्नमेंट की तरफ से ।

SHRI D. NARAYAN: How many proposals have been received for opening such emporia from other States?

SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR: At the present moment.... I am sorry, what was the question?

MR. CHAIRMAN: How many proposals have been received for starting emporia in other centres?

SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR: I cannot give the names of the emporia proposed to be started, but we are assisting the following emporia—Madras, Bombay, Nagpur, Gwalior and Calcutta.

PERIODICAL ENTITLED 'INDIAN INFORMATION'

*337. SHRI T. R. DEOGIRIKAR: Will the Minister for INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state whether Government propose to revive