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Attended the
Barranpore Conference.
— Indrajit Gupta
Ramen Sen
Ali Amzad
attended.



K. G. Greenastaba
Secretary.
A. I. T. U. C.
4 Ashok Road
New Delhi.

6 NOV 1960

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Dear Comrade K. G.,

Received the money
 order of Rs 150. This morning I am at
 a loss to understand how 150/-
 has been remitted to me. Probably Rs 50/-
 towards the press exp. of. so, direct me
 accordingly by the reply.
 Yesterday I have reached Singapore
 by attending the T. U. meeting convened by Indrajit.
 Conference & Calcutta reports of Singapore, Rowdala
 7-11. meetings following.
 Comradely yours
 Nikar.

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November 5, 1960

Dear Com. Nihar,

Your letter of 26th October.

We have received a sum ~~for~~ of Rs.50 from the Burnpur Union, with this another 35 rupees on the Engineering Federation account, we have sent Rs.85 to the Central Printing Works in final settlement of their bill.

I hope you got remittance for this month.

With greetings,

Sad copy to Nihar

Yours fraternally,

K.G.

(K.G. Sriwastava)

29 OCT 1960

Nihar Mukherjee
Secretary, National Federation
of Metal & Engineering Workers
of India.
Nachan - Road, Durgapur-4
Dist. Burdwan.

26. 10. 60

Dear Com.K.G.,

Received your previous and the letter dated 18th. just yesterday. By the next mail I am sending you the receipts of my wages together with the upto date report and position of Durgapur. This morning Com. Benoy choudhury and Belay have left for Asansole.

As regards the enclosure of the letter dated 18th. I am to let you know that the story, one Mr. Bhowrich has cooked up is not at all correct. Ofcourse I preferred the Name of Com. Dange only to get the leaflets urgently. While taking delivery he saw a cheque signed by Com. Dange and requested me to give the balance Rs50. by cashing the cheque. I plainly told him that he would get his balance soon we get the sum. ^{quite sure that cheque} Com. Elias was supposed to procure that sum. Any way, I persuaded the Burnpore people to donate Rs.50 towards printing of leaflets, which they sent in your name. I also sent a letter to Jamshedpore union to ~~send~~ ^{send} Rs.50 towards the printing charges, to you.

However, Com. Elias once told me to manage the sum by collecting affiliation fees from calcutta unions but unfortunately I left calcutta right after that. I think Calcutta Federation should be directed to pay off that sum.

Please send my money by the present address otherwise I find difficulty in getting the sum.

I have received a letter from Com. Indrajit Gupta, in which Com. Durga Mohanty has requested me to be present in Rourkela Conference and I am attending the conference on 27/10.

With Greetings,

Nihar Mukherjee

*Am the pm for
Confusion 2/10/60
Rs. 50 - . Am the pm -
balance will be sent soon.
27/10*

Oct 18, 1960

Shri R. Bhowmick,
Central Printing Works,
76 Bowbazar St.,
Calcutta 12

Dear Friend,

We have received your letter of 15th inst. addressed to Shri Dange. He is not in Delhi at the moment.

We were under the impression that all bills for printing the handbills have been paid. However, we are inquiring into this and any outstanding bill on this account will be settled.

Mr Elias is expected back here by the end of this month.

Yours sincerely,

UPM

(K.G. Sriwastava)
Secretary

Copy to: Com. Indrajit Gupta

Shri Bhowmick's letter states: "When you came to Calcutta session of the National Council, an appeal to the workers of steel areas was printed in 4 languages at our press in your name. Mr. Nihar Mukerjee and Mr. Md. Elias met us and gave us the order and stated that it is your order and we need not be worried for the bill. You can easily realise, we being the partymen should and must honour your order and accordingly we did that. Mr. Nihar Mukerjee who took delivery of the goods stated at that time "you have handed over him a cheque and he will be paying us surely on the next day." We have not yet been fully paid. A sum of Rs.85 is lying arrears on your account. Mr. Mukerjee is avoiding payment by saying this and that about you and organisation centre. Will you be kind enough to settle the matter and oblige?". Please inquire from Com. Nihar and let us know.

15. 10. 60

CENTRAL PRINTING WORKS
76, BOWBAZAR ST.
CALCUTTA-19

My Dear Comrade Dange,

Accept our Greetings!

Perhaps you will feel embarrassed to have a letter from me on such matter. To speak the truth I am also feeling too much embarrassed to engage you in so valued moments in such a trifling matter.

Hope you will excuse.

When you came to Calcutta during the Calcutta session of the Central Council, perhaps you remember, an appeal to the workers of steel areas ^{in 4 languages} was printed, ~~at our~~ press in your name. Mr. Nihar Mukherjee & also Mr. Md. Idris met us and gave us the order and stated to say that it is your order and we need not be worried for the bill. You can easily realise, we being the party men should & must honour your order and accordingly we did that. Mr.

Mr. Nihar Mukherjee who took delivery of
 the total goods stated ~~that~~ at that time
 that "you have handed over to him a
 cheque and he will be paying us invoice
 on the next day after encashing the cheque.
 Unfortunately we have not yet been fully paid.
 A sum ^{₹ 85/-} yet being arrears on your account.
 We tried to realize the amount from Mr. Mukherjee
 but in vain. He is avoiding payment by
 saying this and that about you and organization
 Centre. Will you be kind enough to settle the matter
 with him. With best regards,
 R. Bhownick.

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अन्तर्देशीय पत्र
INLAND LETTER

Sri S. A. Dange,
 4, Asore Road, P. P.
 New Delhi



भेजने वाले का नाम और पता :- Sender's name and address :-

CENTRAL PRINTING WORKS,
 7, RAJENDRA NAGAR,
 CALCUTTA-40

ADDRESS ENSURED
 DIRECT

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Oct 18, 1960

Dear Com.Nihar,

Enclosed, please find, a copy of letter from the Central Printing Works, Calcutta, dated 15.10.60 for your information. Please send us your comments on the same. Is the amount due and who has to pay it?

We are not hearing from you at all. How are things moving there?

With greetings,

Yours fraternally,

K.G.

(K.G.Sriwastava)

Encl: 1

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Durgapur
Sept 30, 1960

Dear Com.Nihar,

Your letter of 27th August to Com.Dange.

You have not sent us your address on which M.O. has to be sent and this time, we are sending it through Com.Indrajit (for September and October, Rs.200). Please send us your address for future remittances.

Also we do not get regular reports from you as we get from other steel centres. At least once or twice in a month, if you send us a report, we can make use of it for preparing a write-up in TUR and other unions also informed as to what is going in Durgapur. I hope it will be possible for you.

Do not consider that because you had some talks with Com.Elias or Com.Indrajit, therefore, the news has also reached us here.

With greetings,

Yours fraternally,

cm
(K.G.Sriwastava)

BRAITHWAITE SRAMIK UNION

Regd. No. 2200

(Affiliated with A. I. T. U. C.)

27B, Circular Garden Reach Road, Kidderpore.

President—JOYTI BASU., M.L.A.
Leader of the Opposition.

Calcutta, 27th August 1960

Dear Comrade Dange,

I learnt that you were sick & lying in Poona hospital but could not write to me since the address was not known to me. I have come down to Calcutta for the settlement of Production Bonus & yearly bonus of few unions & I have procured your address of Poona. We are very worried at the news of your illness. We believe, soon you will be fit & within us. But, I would request you to take complete rest before coming out, as our state of affairs won't permit you to take rest, once you are within us.

K. Co. has surely informed you about the positions of Durgapur. However, I would like to read you about the developments there.

A office has been taken on the main road & the rent is Rs. 55. P. C. is paying the rent. This is the lowest in this locality. A big work-board has also been fixed. Federation has become more popular. It is spontaneously known as Dange's Federation.

On 8th of July a mass meeting was held opposite steel office. Comrades - Elias, Baner, Bandy Choudhry, Pradyumn & myself addressed the gathering. Composition of the gathering was good.

P. V. O.

We could not participate in the 14th. Strike but on Assam day we became very much successful. Every thing was made to stop & the attempts of local congress M.L.A. to mar the movement was set at naught.

From the preparations of the above strike steel boys began realizing that soon they must become organized. There are various trends & we will have to resolve the different trends & merge them into one. With this end in view I am carrying on discussions with clerks & workers (operational & non-operational workers). A bright possibility of union of ones is there.

There are three unions at present. I. N. T. U. C. one, Forward Block (Hemanta Bose) one, Proletarian Party one. None has any influence within the operational & non operational employees of Steel. Hence I. N. T. U. C. carries few pockets.

We have formed departmental committees in the Mechanical Division, Forward (Garage, Transport & workshop central) of cunddrip, Melting shops. Groups have been formed in Blast furnaces, C.E.M & in one shop of Rolling mills. Contracts have been established in Merchant mills, Ray-Product Plants, soaking pit. Power house.

Some of our militants pressing for a union registered. Strong views in after your name for the Presidency of the union.

Therefore, please instruct me, how to proceed. If you decide to form immediately the union I also instruct who will be the president. So far I am concerned, I am after your name & will forward my reasons when you mail me for.

As regards the financial liability which I am carrying now are.

a) Expenses for the mass meeting of 8th July. Rs 280.
out of which Rs 80 was collected from the steel workers. So a net loss of Rs 200 remains.

b) For making a table & 2 books Rs. 55.

So, sum total figure is Rs 255. I incurred some more expenses which I squand up by collecting some funds.

As regards Pohitai. The position stands where it was. Narech told me to send the cycle to Sudhis but I refused & ~~settled~~ wheather Council Dange has withdrawn or not. He said no. Therefore, I did not send.

I am also sending to you the accounts for the months of May & June duly with be sent to you by the next month. Also, you will find a copy of leaflet of a copy of membership form of a Committee attached to this.

I am very much longing to see you fit & strong. Yours affectionately Nihar

P.S.

I was pick pocketed at the Durgapur station while going to Delhi & lost the cheque of Rs 600 together with cash of Rs 90/- From Delhi. K.G. instructed the Bank to make a stop payment of that Cheque No. Please, therefore issue a fresh cheque in favour of Sen Rebo cycle Industries Ltd.

I am rather shameful for my carelessness & hope you would excuse me. In future ~~I shall try to be more~~ I shall be more particular.

JUNE

1. Feeding & laundry including tiffin	70.00
2. Travelling to Asansol & Cal	18.00
3. Office cleaning	5.00
4. Stationery	3.25
5. Daily papers Statesman	4.80
Swadhikata	3.60
6. Personal Expenses	15.00
7. Laundry Expenses	9.12
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	118.77

MASS MEETING

8TH. JULY

Opposite Steel Office

To All Steel Workers & Construction Workers.

Dear Brothers,

A Mass meeting under the banner of National Federation of Metal & Engineering Workers of India is going to be held on 8th July, Friday at 5-30 p. m. just beside the G. T. Road, opposite Steel office. Md. Elias, Genl. Secy. of the Federation, Binoy Chowdhury M. L. A., Md. Ismile & leaders from Burnpur & Kulti will address the gathering.

We the workers of the steel industry in India, shape the tools of our nations progress. In the ambitious plans of our people to overcome our industrial backwardness & build a glorious future, we the steel workers, have a pivotal place. Concious of our role, we find that our precious ~~lives~~ lives are not properly looked after by the authorities & the Govt.

Despite the hazardous nature of our work, We have scarcely any social security protection.

There is complete anarchy in the Gradings & wages System & working conditions. Favouritism replaces all scientific out-look. Even the Engineers find no positions.

Master-roll employees are given only Rs. 1.75 or Rs. 2 per day. Why they should not be paid Rs. 75 per month? What about their permanency? >

Construction workers, who, by the sweat of their brow have erected the giant blust Furnance, Melting Shop, Rolling Mills Foundry & by-products plants, their rich skill & experience are allowed to go waste by not utilising in other developement projects.

Experience of the working class the world over beckons to us the powerful weapon in our armoury to beat back the offensive of the employers is our unity.

Therefore, in order to forge the great unity, join in tens & hundreds to make the gathering a grand success.

We have fought & won some demands. Now, we will have to march forward—towards better standard of living, better working condition & for the defence of our Trade Union rights.

With greetings!

Nihar Mukherjee

Secretary.

National Federation of Metal &

Eng. Workers of India.

Nachan Road, Durgapur-4

This leaflet was printed
in Bengali, Hindi & English
6000 copies.

P.S. Elias has called a meeting
of the working committee on 13th.
So I may go at that time &
will meet you.

The Committee of the Mechanical Division

DURGAPUR STEEL PROJECT

Durgapur—4

MEMBERSHIP FORM

To

Secretary,

Dear Brother,

I beg to enrol myself as a member of the committee and I solemnly state that I will abide by the rules & regulations of the committee & shall not act against the interest of the committee.

Signature _____

Date _____

1. NAME (in block letters)
2. FATHER'S NAME
3. ADDRESS
4. DESIGNATION
5. SECTION

6. AGE _____ Signature P.T.O.

Date _____ Approved by the Secretary.

Mechanical Division comprises of Garage (outside the Plant) machine shop repair shop of Servicing & also Plant transport & central workshop inside the Plant.

Total strength approximately 750.

A Co. committee has been formed with 37 members with a elected President, Secretary & Treasurer. Until now 309 have become the members.

Though I am officially nobody still I sit in the executive meeting regularly. I have got complete hold on the Ex. body.

Similarly, 8 Groups have been formed in Melting shop, Foundry, Blast Furnace. At present trying to form Groups in Cook. oven, C.E.M, Rolling mills & in By-product plants. Militants have been found out, now to give proper steps.

42 + 8 will be the 1st week of P. Miss by the August. Already 13 formal groups ^{have} started functioning.

Next day

Statement of
A/c for May 1960

1.	Cycle a/c.	2. 50
		3. 50
		13. 00
2.	Telegrams.	6. 90
3.	Leaflet a/c.	
	Samstedford	33. 00
	Asansole	
	Pohitai.	
4	Dungapur.	
	on transfer a/c (Personal)	22. 00
5.	Fooding, lodging etc	65. 00
6. i	Travelling a/c.	60. 00
	including	In June. This etc. will become less.
	Bombay	
	Cal.	
7.	Stationary	13. 00
8.	Postage	3. 30
9.	To Gov. Bazar.	7. 00
10.	Office - washing & chaj	5. 00
11.	Security Expenditure	11. 75
	(lost to go. together with the cheque - pocketed)	225. 95

P. T. O.

Pay. S. A. D. 200
 Pay. P. C. (W.B) 300
 Loan. 25.95

 525.95
 Loan. 90.00

 615.95

P. F. 225.95
 House Dm. 265.00
 Advances. 95.00
Interest from D.

 525.95
 Lost. 90.00

 615.95

Pay. S. A. D.
~~Income~~
~~Expenses~~
 210.00

 825.95

Cycle. 210.00

 825.95

Singapore file

268.C

28th April, 1966

Comrade Dange,

Received your letter on this very date as you know none of us attend B. P. T. U. C., because of election. Sometimes, we are to carry on many things against our own will & here lies the tragedy.

Though I have fallen a victim of the anarchic type of work, I would assure you that I have not become a total victim. I am in touch with my new assignments.

Regarding the cycle, Nitya said Ponda did not reply to my query so I could not make arrangements. Anyway, I am sending the cycle to him in this B. P. T. U. C. day.

Leaflets too are almost ready & you will see that when you will be at Cal.

Regarding Singapore, I am in touch & I will be permanently moving during your stay in Calcutta. D.C. & P.C. did not allow me to move on the eve of election rather they have entrusted me with a backward classin Area, which I...

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DURGAPUR PROJECT. ✓

Report by Nihar Mukherjee.

1. Office room has been fixed from 1st of June '60. The monthly rent is Rs 65.
2. Bengal P. C. Sec. has taken the responsibility of Rs 65.
3. Black money ^{of Rs 200/-} for ~~the~~ ~~office~~ taking possession of the room has been given & P. C. Sec. has forwarded a loan of Rs 300.
4. Leaflets have been distributed shipwise. Tremendous effect has ~~already~~ been created after disbursement of leaflets.
5. A mass meeting will be held on Sunday 19th of June 1960.
6. A real possibility to form a union of ours is there.
7. Three party groups have been formed, only one is open, ~~only~~.

8. Accounts for the month of May will be sent by the last week of June.

IMMEDIATE REQUIREMENTS

1. Electric current for the Union office.
2. Some equipments of the office, including a typewriter.
3. Some cash/Fund to organise the mass meeting.

Note.

I am staying with a friend of mine in the Steel town. I may shift to the union office, if the situation demands. Union office is outside the Steel Town but on the main road, where the shops & bazaar are situated. Name of the Road is NACHAN ROAD, BENACHITI

Address.

Temporary: Nihare mukherje
c/o. Coal Depo.
Nachan Road
Benachiti, Durgapur-4

26 MAY 1960

Nikhar mukherjee
23rd May 60 Durgam

Dear K. G.
I am rather sorry, in
replying late, your
dated 13th May, 1960. I left Calcutta
on 18th May, 8:11 AM. I did
not receive any letter from
Indhir mukherjee of Raipur. ~~But~~
however, I have left instructions
& I have also left Rs 20 ~~to~~
to meet the expenses of sending
the leaflets, as soon as B. P. T. U. e
office, receive the letter in
your name.

In Rowkela, one great
brother has opened a office.
I telegraphed Mityananda to
come down to Calcutta from
Raipur. Bangor was there. They
came at the same time
& anyway managed to get
Rs 500 for organizing the meeting.

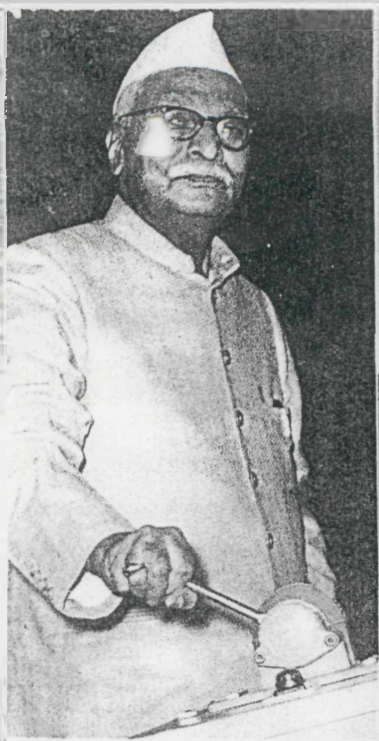
22nd was the schedule
date for mass meeting. Elias
& one newly elected M.P. were
supposed to go. & Indrajit was
given Rs 25 by Nityananda for
that purpose. Definitely they
went there. One cycle is
now with them. Com Dange
has promised to pay Rs 100
per month to Nityananda.

Regarding Durgapore,
I am to inform you that
just to-day I have fixed
a room on the main
Bazar Road, on Rs 65 per month.
I will be starting for Calcutta
to procure the black money
for the room. Nothing practically
was done here & I am doing
the ground work. Very soon

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The union office will be opened ~~after~~ ^{after} the opening ceremony. Com. Dange told Com. Copalan to address two meetings, one in Rowkela & another in Durgapur. ~~He~~ ^{He} agreed. ~~So~~ So, please contact him & make sure when he can come down to Durgapur. It should not be ~~less~~ ^{less} than 2 weeks. I must have Com. Copalan in the opening ceremony. You fix accordingly & let me know.

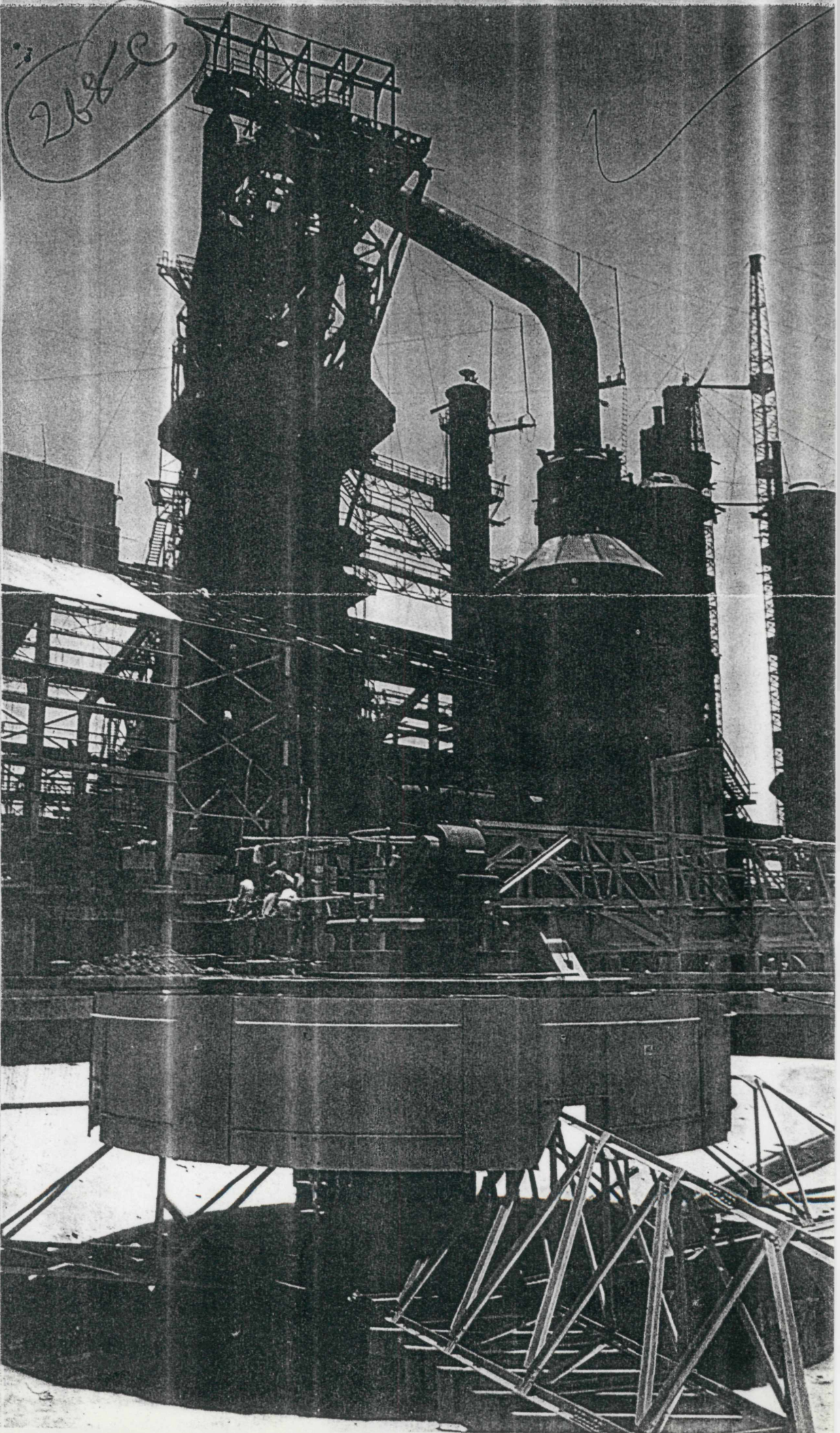
Regarding ~~downside~~ ^{downside} news for movements, I will be writing to you by the next mail. ~~Down~~ You will have my address of Durgapur, also, by the next mail. Samshetti & Durgapur are sleeping. Pl instruct them to distribute the leaflets & hold mass meetings. ~~Downside~~ ^{Downside} ~~with~~ Nihar



durgapur

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A GREAT INDO-BRITISH STEEL VENTURE



Dr. Rajendra Prasad, the President of India, opened Durgapur's first blast furnace (right). This great steel-works, an outstanding achievement in the history of Indo-British co-operation, is a magnificent proof of Britain's contribution to the industrial development of India.

THE COLOMBO PLAN A TENTH ANNIVERSARY

THE building of the Durgapur steelworks is a good example of co-operation under the Colombo Plan for Co-operative Economic Development in South and South-East Asia, the initial idea for which was born on 14th January, 1950, at the meeting in Colombo, Ceylon, of Foreign Ministers of the Commonwealth.

At that meeting Britain was represented by the then Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the late Mr. Ernest Bevin, who, despite ill health, made the journey to Colombo and played a leading part in launching the Colombo Plan, and adapting to the needs of Asia a technique which was helping Europe to recover from the war.

At the last annual meeting of the Colombo Plan Consultative Council, held in Jogjakarta, Indonesia, in November 1959, it was decided unanimously that the Plan should continue for a further period of at least five years from 1961.

South and South-East Asia, with a quarter of the world's population, is a proving ground which should demonstrate the ability of free societies to achieve a rapid growth of economic progress, and the Colombo Plan is making a unique contribution to this vital objective.



DR. PRASAD meets experts and technologists responsible for planning and erecting the steelworks. Mr. C. J. M. Alport, Britain's Minister of State, Commonwealth Relations Office, said at the inauguration that Durgapur was "a splendid example of the Commonwealth co-operation which existed between our two countries."

STEPS TO PROSPERITY

DURGAPUR—A MAJOR U.K.-INDIA ACHIEVEMENT

DURGAPUR, the unimportant village of a few years ago, lying in the heart of the green-brown plain of West Bengal, 118 miles north-west of Calcutta, has now assumed international significance. There the building of the vast new integrated iron and steel works, designed for an initial output of 1,250,000 tons of ingots a year, is proceeding rapidly.

It is, in fact, a steel project of immense importance to the country, a project in which Britain is playing a vital role. It typifies the sweeping industrial changes now taking place in many parts of India. As Mr. Nehru, the Prime Minister of India, has said: "We see before us the mighty scene of a nation building itself . . . all of us working together to make a new India."

This £105 million steel project, which reached its first stage recently, is to be finally completed in July 1961. Behind this bald statement lies the story of a great co-operative effort between, on the one hand, Indian planners, engineers and workers and, on the other, the leaders and specialist workers of a group of prominent British engineering organisations who, as a consortium, pooled their resources to help make the Durgapur works a reality.

The Second Five Year Plan of the Government of India envisaged the construction of three new

steel plants, and the suitability of Durgapur for one of the plants—a paddy-field site near rich iron and coal deposits, well supplied with water and electric power—was later confirmed by a technical mission under Sir Eric Coates, sponsored by the United Kingdom under the Colombo Plan.

The consortium of thirteen companies, the Indian Steelworks Construction Company Ltd. (ISCON), submitted a tender for the work, and it was accepted by the Indian Government. The British Government loaned India £15 million towards the cost of the project, and a further credit of £11,500,000 was provided by United Kingdom banks. The £105 million contract finally signed between the Indian Government and ISCON, representing the largest single overseas construction contract in the history of British industry, occupied no fewer than 21 volumes. The immense task of translating it into terms of concrete and steel began at once.

Less than a month after the signing of the contract, in October 1956, the first contingent of engineers from the United Kingdom arrived at Durgapur, together with mechanical equipment to move and dump 5,000,000 cubic yards of earth. In the early stages the work was almost entirely civil engineering—excavating, piling, foundation-laying, as well as moving earth. Seventy miles of

railway track and twenty miles of road were specially built; 500,000 cubic yards of concrete went into the foundations of buildings and plant, and then the first instalments of 250,000 tons materials began to arrive from Britain.

The firm of Simon-Carves, which was responsible for the coke ovens, alone received 80% separate packages of materials from the U.K. like the other firms in the consortium, they made full use of the Indian materials and assistance available.

All the structural steelwork of the coke oven plant was fabricated on the site; the conveyor belting for more than four miles of coal and coke conveyors was manufactured in India; and firm trained Indians not only to supervise fabrication of the modern coke oven batteries, also to work them subsequently.

High priority has been given to the training of the British steel industry of Indian personnel to operate Durgapur after the plant is finished. Under the Technical Co-operation Scheme of the Colombo Plan the United Kingdom agreed to finance the training of 300 key Indian managers and technicians, each man spending about a year in Britain. At the request of the Government of India the total to be trained was raised to 350.

Most trainees spend several months at the works of an ISCON company, then join one or more of the companies in the British Iron and Steel Federation to gain practical experience of aspects of steel-making.

Meanwhile the tempo of work on the site steadily increased. Even during the heavy monsoon rains, efforts were made to carry on, there is carefully directed activity right round the clock. The daily scene is one of constant, vibrant bustle, sun-burned by day and floodlit by night. Recently about 30,000 persons have been working at Durgapur under the supervision of 350 British and many Indian engineers. When the work in full production they will employ 10,000 workers and a supervisory staff of about 650.

Situated as it is at the centre of a growing industrial complex the value of Durgapur to the Indian economy is hard to over-estimate. The steel plant is designed for an initial annual production of 1,250,000 tons of ingots made by open-hearth hot metal process. Based on this figure the estimated tonnage of finished products is over 800,000 tons a year, including blooms, billets, merchant bars, light and medium section and railway wheel sets.

The works have been laid out to allow for expansion to achieve an output of 2,500,000 tons a year. The immediate pig iron production target is 360,000 tons each year.

Mr. Nehru, India's Prime Minister, has declared to his people: "Let us not plan as though India will always be poor." Durgapur is an expression of that edict. It is a joint Indian-British enterprise within the Commonwealth will help considerably to meet the tremendous demand for more steel in a great and rapidly developing country.

BRITAIN TRAINED THEM



H.R.H. THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH inspected Durgapur from an open Land Rover, during his 1958 Commonwealth Tour. He saw a fast-developing site which, as late as October 1956, had consisted of bare fields.



ONE OF THE 350 Indians who came to the U.K. for training in steel techniques. He is Mr. M. Srepathy.



ANOTHER trainee, Mr. P. K. Roy Choudhuri, who will eventually take over a supervisory role in the steelworks.



INDIAN steel students came to the U.K. in groups, from November 1957. Here is Mr. M. V. K. Chari.



TRAINING was given by several firms in the British Iron and Steel Federation. This student is Mr. L. K. A. Tata.



A BLAST FURNACE department in Lincolnshire was the training ground for Mr. Y. R. Sharma.



A COKE OVEN plant in Wales provided practical instruction for Mr. Desh Ratan Garga.



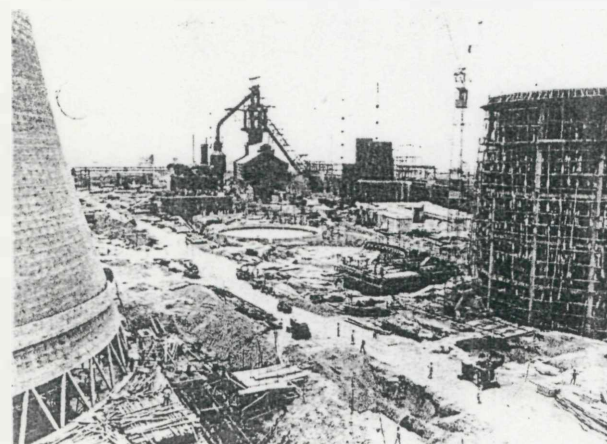
BEARDED Mr. Sunjan Singh was trained in the mechanical maintenance of blast furnaces.



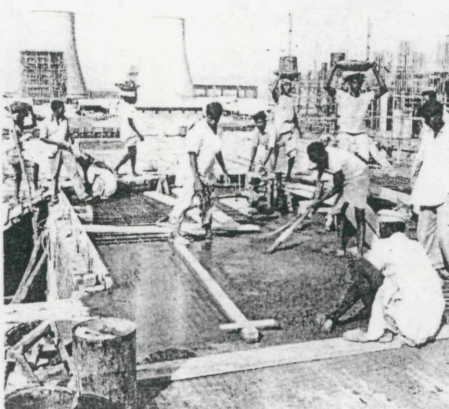
BUILDING the reinforced concrete wall of a cooling tower, one of many jobs that are being tackled by Indians.



STONEMASONS busy at Durgapur, where at times as many as 30,000 people worked on the site.



THIRTEEN British firms combined to create these steelworks, which augur a prosperous future for India.

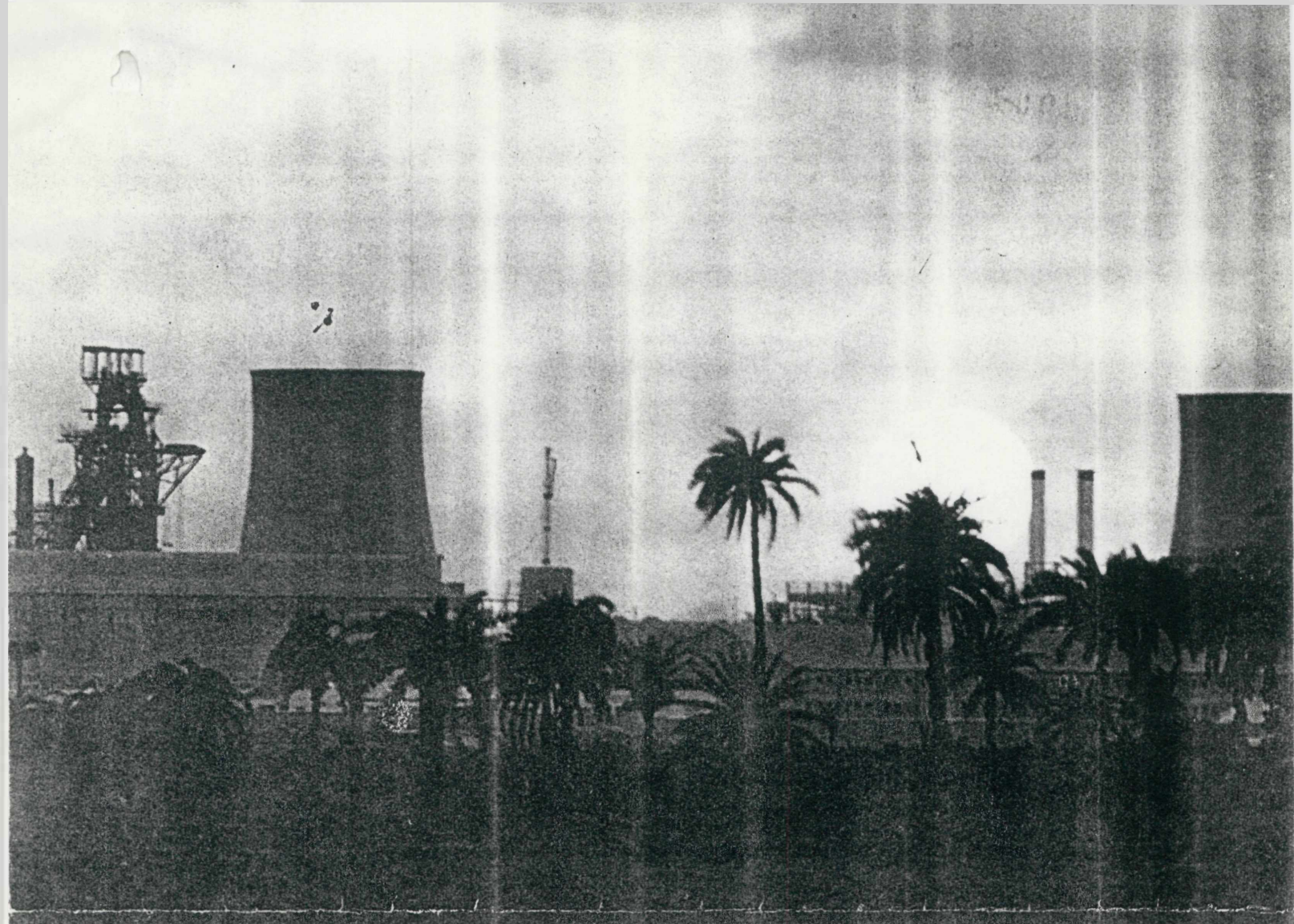


HERE, once upon a time, was untamed country. The transformation is costing over £100,000,000.

ISCON The Indian Steelworks Construction Co. Ltd. is a consortium of some of the most famous firms in British industry. Durgapur is being built under contract to Hindustan Steel Ltd.

Davy and United Engineering Co. Ltd.: rolling mills, wheel and axle plant, the foundry and the central engineering maintenance shop
 Dorman, Long (Bridge & Engineering) Co. Ltd.: structural steel
 Head, Wrightson & Co. Ltd.: blast furnaces and iron-making plant
 Joseph Parks & Son Ltd.: structural steel
 Simon-Carves Ltd.: coke ovens and by-produce plant, power plant, steam and gas distribution
 Sir William Arrol & Co. Ltd.: cranes and structural steel

The British Thomson-Houston Co. Ltd.: electrical work
 The Cementation Co. Ltd.: civil engineering and building
 The Cleveland Bridge & Engineering Co. Ltd.: structural steel
 The English Electric Co. Ltd.: electrical work
 The General Electric Co. Ltd.: electrical work
 The Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Co. Ltd.: electrical work
 The Wellman Smith Owen Engineering Corp. Ltd.: open hearth furnaces and steel-making plant, cranes, soaking pits



THE SUN SETS behind the chimneys and towers of the Durgapur steelworks. But Durgapur does not sleep—construction work has continued through the night.



OVER 350 British experts have been helping in the building of Durgapur, working in friendly co-operation with skilled Indian engineers.



THESE WORKERS are building a new India. . . . The works are designed to produce 800,000 tons of finished steel products a year.