

Year	Total import export (Tonnes)	Indian ships' share of total import export (Tonnes)	Percentage
1965-66	13,739,772	2,089,066	15.2%
1966-67	12,742,532	1,517,713	11.9%

The figures set out above show that there was a fall in the overall percentage of share of Indian ships during 1966-67.

(b) So far as exports from Bombay Port are concerned, there was a fall in the export of iron ore, manganese ore, oil cakes, and sugar during 1966-67 as compared with 1965-66.

(c) Exports by Indian ships did not decline but increased during 1966-67, the figures being 4.78 lakhs tons in 1965-66, and 4.82 lakhs tons in 1966-67. It may also be pointed out that, during both these years, import of foodgrains and fertilisers were major items. Wheat and milo accounted for 2.6 million tons in 1965-66, and 3 million tons in 1966-67. Imported fertilisers amounted to 4,50,000 tons and 7,34,000 tons respectively during the two years. Grain and fertiliser imports in Bombay are made through tramp ships whereas Indian vessels plying in overseas trade are engaged almost wholly in the liner trade. The total volume of import traffic handled by liners during 1966-67 dropped as compared with the traffic in 1965-66. India's share in the liner trade is restricted to 40 per cent.

New Outer Harbour at Madras

2103. SHRI MUHAMMAD SHERIFF: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state whether the construction of a new outer harbour at Madras has since been completed ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI IQBAL SINGH): No, Sir. The construction of the new outer harbour at Madras is still in progress and according to present indications, is expected to be completed by October, 1969.

Development of Minor Ports

2104. SHRI MUHAMMAD SHERIFF: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the practice of granting Central aid for the development of minor Ports has been revived ; and

(b) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI IQBAL SINGH): (a) The National Development Council, at its meeting held on 13.9.68, decided that certain well-defined schemes concerning minor port development will be included under Centrally Sponsored Schemes.

(b) Does not arise.

पर्यटन तथा असेनिक उद्भयन मंत्रालय में तृतीय तथा चतुर्थ श्रेणी के पदों में नियुक्तियां

2105. श्री द० रा० परमार :

श्री रा० की हमीन :

क्या पर्यटन तथा असेनिक उद्भयन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि इस विभाग ने सितम्बर, 1968 में अनुसूचित जातियों के लिये रक्षित तृतीय चतुर्थ श्रेणी के कुछ पद विशापित किये थे और उन के लिए प्रार्थना पत्र मांगे थे ;

(ख) अनुसूचित जातियों के कितने उम्मीदवारों ने प्रार्थनापत्र दिये थे, कितने व्यक्तियों को इंटरव्यू के लिए बुलाया गया था और कितने व्यक्ति चुने गये थे ; और

(ग) क्या यह संस्था अनुसूचित जातियों के