

12.00 hrs.

श्री यू० सि० चौधरी : अध्यक्ष महोदय, इस मामले में मैं आप की व्यवस्था चाहता हूँ। प्रश्नों की सूची में से 420 की संख्या निकाल दी जानी चाहिये। इस की वजह से जिस प्रकार से हंसी होती है उस से माननीय सदस्यों के सम्मान में फर्क आता है। 420 की संख्या, मैं चाहता हूँ, निकाल दी जाये।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : इस नम्बर को उठा कर क्या मैं अपने पास रख सकता हूँ। किसी न किसी मेम्बर के हिस्से में तो यह नम्बर आयेगा ही।

श्री रघुनाथ सिंह : माननीय सदस्य को दे दिया जाये।

U.A.R. Trade Delegation

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Shri Ram Harkh Yadav:

Will the Minister of **Commerce** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that trade delegation from U.A.R. recently visited India;

(b) if so, the main purpose of their visit; and

(c) whether any agreement has been signed with them?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Trade arrangements between the two countries were reviewed and letters were exchanged on 21st September, 1964 in New Delhi between the U.A.R. and the Indian Trade Delegations for enlarging and diversifying the trade exchanges between the two countries. The volume of total trade in year 1964-65 is expected to be Rs. 45 crores against Rs. 25 crores at present. This will mean an increase of Rs. 10 crores in trade each way this year as compared to last year.

SHORT NOTICE QUESTION

Unloading of Foodgrains Wagons at Delhi Kishanganj Railway Station

S.N.Q. 6. Shri P. C. Borooah: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of food-grain wagons have been awaiting unloading at the Delhi Kishanganj Railway Station;

(b) if so, what was the maximum concentration of grain wagons at that Station during September, 1964 so far; and

(c) what steps have been taken to expedite clearance?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The maximum concentration of foodgrain wagons at Delhi Kishanganj was on 18th September, 1964 when out of 85 wagons placed, 29 wagons were released resulting in a left-over of 56. 161 wagons bound for Delhi Kishanganj were held up at Shakurbasti for want of room at Delhi Kishanganj.

(c) Consignees have been persuaded to unload the consignments directly into road vehicles. The Director, Food & Civil Supplies, has also been addressed to persuade the merchants to release the maximum number of wagons.

Shri P. C. Borooah: At the time when there is acute food scarcity in the capital, may I know whether it is a fact that the traders have refused to clear away the cargo expeditiously, despite the Railways' earnest appeal to them and, if so, whether the Government propose to take action against those unscrupulous trader-consignees under the DIR or under any other rules?