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स्वास्थ्य मंत्री (श्री करमरकर) .

(क) जी हां ।

(ख) डिग्री पंचवर्षीय योजना के अन्तर्गत इस कालेज पर १७ लाख रुपये व्यय होने का अनुमान है। प्राया क जाता है कि यह कालेज १९५८ में कार्य करने लगेगा ।

Selling of Rice in Ahmedabad

*1375. Shri Assar: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have sold rice in large quantity to one of the merchants in Ahmedabad;

(b) if so, the quantity thereof and the rate at which it was sold; and

(c) the reasons for selling it to a private merchant when there is a shortage of rice in Government shops?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) to (c) About 1,200 tons of old Basmati rice lying in Ahmedabad Central Depot which was not suitable for issue through fair price shops had to be disposed off. Two auctions were held and tenders were also invited but the response was not satisfactory. Finally the stocks were sold to a party at Rs 22/10/- per maund which was the highest offer.

Earth Tremors

*1376. { Shri Sanganna:
Shri Vajpayee:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one of the biggest earth tremors in recent years was recorded on the 4th December, 1957;

(b) if so, the epicentre of the earthquake as recorded by the seismographs of the observatories in India; and

(c) whether any damage is known to have resulted on this account?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) In Mongolia near Latitude 47° N and Longitude 100° E.

(c) There have been no reports of any damage.

Rail-Sea Coordination Committee

*1377. Shri Rameshwar Tantia: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state the steps taken to implement the recommendations made by the Rail-Sea Co-ordination Committee?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): The most important recommendation of the Rail-Sea Co-ordination Committee is in regard to the question of enhancement of coastal freight rates, and appropriate decision has already been taken by Government on this recommendation. Decisions have also been taken on certain other recommendations of the Committee. The remaining recommendations of the Committee are still under consideration of Government.

Roads in Himachal Pradesh

*1378. Shri Y. S. Parmar: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state.

(a) whether the schemes for roads and bridges to be constructed in Himachal Pradesh in 1957-58 have received the sanction of Government; and

(b) if so, how many of them have been approved?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): (a) Yes.

(b) Work on 105 sanctioned schemes is in progress during the current year.

Booking of Coir and Coir Products

*1378-A. { Shri Narayanankutty
Menon:
Shri Wajlor:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether any restrictions have been placed on the booking of coir and coir products from the Cochin Harbour Terminus Railway Station;

(b) if so, what are they, and

(c) the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) Yes, but these restrictions have since been relaxed

(b) A limit of 100 maunds per day was specified for the acceptance of this traffic as smalls i.e. other than wagon loads

(c) This limit was imposed with a view to prevent the possibility of wagon load traffic being split up and offered as smalls

Ships Awaiting To Be Unloaded

1965. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) the number of ships which were awaiting to be unloaded at various ports of India on the 30th November, 1957; and

(b) for how long they had waited?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri): (a) Four ships at Vizagapatam and none at any of the other major ports.

(b) The waiting period varied from 5 to 45 days.

Acreege of Land Irrigated by Bhakra Dam

1966. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state the total acreage of land irrigated by the Bhakra-Nangal Dam as on the 30th of November, 1957?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri S. K. Patil): It has not been possible for the States of Punjab and Rajasthan to collect the information regarding area irrigated as on the 30th November, 1957, as irrigated area is recorded fasl-wise i.e. from 1st April to 30th September for Kharif fasl and 1st October to 31st March for Rabi fasl. The area irrigated upto the end of September, 1957 by the Bhakra Canal System was 6,78,911 acres

Hydro-Electric Project at Dumboor of Amarpur Sub-Division

1967. Shri Bangshi Thakur: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that the scheme of Hydro-Electric Project at Dumboor of Amarpur Sub-Division has been abandoned; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri S. K. Patil): (a) No. The scheme is under investigation.

(b) Does not arise

बीकानेर टेलीफोन एक्सचेंज

१६०६. श्री प० सा० बाळ्याल :
क्या दरिबहन तथा संचार मंत्री यह बताने की
रुया करने कि :

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प्रतीमालय, शौचालय इत्यादि योजनाएं करने
का स्थान नहीं है ; और