

Shri Rameshwar Tantia: May I know whether the Visakhapatnam Shipyards was considered? Can it build ships for this purpose?

Shri Raj Bahadur: I have said that we have placed orders on the Visakhapatnam Shipyards also. One of them is expected to be delivered by September 1960 and the rest in the early part of the Third Plan period.

Shri Tangamani: How many ships are likely to be put on the sea between India and Persian Gulf routes this year?

Shri Raj Bahadur: I cannot exactly say that because we require a minimum of five ships to operate the India-Persian Gulf service including one cargo-cum-passenger ship.

Ticketless Travelling

*1152. **Pandit D. N. Tiwary:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to make extensive use of audio-visual methods to mobilise public opinion against ticketless travelling and

(b) if so, the details of the scheme?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) and (b) Campaign against ticketless travelling is normally carried on by the Railways utilizing such audio-visual media as documentary films, posters, announcements on loudspeakers fitted at stations etc. But no special steps in this connection are now under consideration.

Pandit D. N. Tiwary: May I know whether Government are aware that the steps taken so far have not resulted in any success? If so, is any special effort going to be made in this connection?

Mr. Speaker: The other day we passed some legislation.

Shri Shah Nawaz Khan: Yes.

Mr. Speaker: Then hon. Members said that it was too severe. Hon.

Members are themselves responsible for legislation. The other day they said 'No, no. All and sundry are harassed'. One hon. Member said that he and his wife got into a wrong carriage and suddenly they were asked to get down. He pulled the chain. He then asked the House whether he was to be prosecuted for that. After all this, the hon. Member is asking what are the steps that are taken. Those people must only be hanged hereafter. Next question.

Some Hon. Members rose—

Mr. Speaker: I am not going to allow these questions hereafter. I will give strict instructions to the Secretariat relating to questions on the General Budget and on the Railways generally. Ticketless travel is going on endlessly. Next question.

Shri Hem Barua: May I have another information?

Mr. Speaker: Not relating to this ticketless travelling. Ticketless travelling is a usual affair. Next question.

Supply of Foodgrains to U.P.

*1153. **Shri S. M. Banerjee:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state

(a) the total quantity of foodgrains supplied to U.P. during the months of December 1958 and January and February 1959, and

(b) the price at which supplied?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. M. Thomas): (a) About 2.33 lakh tons of foodgrains were supplied to Uttar Pradesh during December 1958 and January and February 1959.

(b) The prices at which these foodgrains have been supplied are as under—

Wheat	Rs 14 per maund
Rice	Rs 16 per maund
Milo and Maize	Rs 11 per maund

These prices were inclusive of the cost of gunny bags, and for delivery FOR destination station.