

there will be no bar to their being carried by ships of any nationality.

श्री रघुनाथ सिंह: इन दोनों देशों के व्यापार के लिये प्रति वर्ष कितने जहाजों की आवश्यकता होगी ?

Shri Alagesan: As I said, the ships that run on the India-U.K. trade carry some of the cargo intended for Turkey and they are transhipped at Egyptian port.

श्री रघुनाथ सिंह: अब तक क्या हिन्दुस्तान में वहाँ से कोई सामान जहाज से आया है, कोई व्यापार हिन्दुस्तान और टर्की के बीच में अब तक हुआ है ?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Has there been any trade between India and Turkey?

Shri Alagesan: Yes Sir.

MACHINES TO SIEVE RICE

*1091. **Shri Buchhikotaiah:** (a) Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Government have got power-driven machines to sieve rice?

(b) If so, how many State Governments are at present in need of these machines?

(c) What is the cost of such machines?

The Deputy Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri M. V. Krishnappa): (a) The Bombay Government have 17 power driven cleaning machines distributed at 8 places in the State. Madras Government have one at Madras city and Central Government one in their depot in Bombay. No other State Government has power cleaning machines. The machines are used for cleaning all grains.

(b) Reports received indicate that no State Government is in need of these machines.

(c) The cost varies depending on the type. The machine in Madras costs

Rs. 2,500 whereas those installed in Bombay cost Rs. 8,000 to Rs. 10,000 each. The Central Government purchased it for Rs. 5,000.

Shri Buchhikotaiah: May I know who will bear the cost of these machines—whether it is the Centre or the State Governments?

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: In the case of the Centre, we pay. In the case of the States, they will have to pay from their funds.

Shri Buchhikotaiah: May I know whether these machines are intended to sieve stones as well as broken rice?

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: It is intended to clean the rice and other food-grains.

Shri Buchhikotaiah: May I know whether any State Government prosecuted anybody for mixing stones and broken rice before introducing these machines?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Prosecution is a different matter. We are now concerned with the machines.

Shri Buchhikotaiah: May I know whether the Government have received any complaints from the State Governments for mixing stones and broken rice with the rice, before introducing these machines?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: That is a well-known fact. Why should the State Governments intervene?

Shri Muniswamy: May I know whether these machines were purchased from foreign countries or were made in India itself?

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: I have not got the information; but most probably, they are imported from foreign countries.

Shri Dabhi: May I know how much work do these machines turn out?

Shri M. V. Krishnappa: I have not got any idea about that.

Shri Buchhikotaiah: May I know whether the machines prove to be suc-