

Shri Raj Bahadur: That depends upon the competitive or other selection examinations for which they appeared and were selected as a result of the same. If they appeared at the examination for clerks, they can only be taken as clerks.

Shri Muniswamy: May I know whether all cadres of postal employees are given training in these centres?

Shri Raj Bahadur: It is not physically possible. We require many more centres for that.

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* १४३४. सेठ गोविन्द दास : क्या परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) १९५३ के अन्त में भारतीय जहाजों का कुल टनभार कितना था ; और

(ख) उन में से कितने टनभार के जहाज तटवर्ती व्यापार में संलग्न थे और कितने टनभार के जहाजों का उपयोग विदेश यात्रा के लिए किया जा रहा था ?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) 4,35,300 G.R.T.

(b) Coastal trade—2,57,217 G.R.T.
Overseas trade—1,78,083 G.R.T.

सेठ गोविन्द दास : १९५२ में जितने जहाज चलते थे, उससे सन् १९५३ में कुछ बढ़े हैं या उतने ही हैं ?

श्री शाहनवाज खां : कुछ थोड़े से बढ़े हैं ।

सेठ गोविन्द दास : अब जो यह साल चल रहा है इसमें क्या और भी कुछ बढ़ने की उम्मीद है ?

रेलवे तथा परिवहन मंत्री (श्री एल० बी० शास्त्री): जी हाँ, इस साल बहुत ज्यादा बढ़ने की उम्मीद है और हम यह उम्मीद करते हैं कि सन् ५५, ५६ के शायद पहले जितने जहाज इस वक्त हैं, उससे काफ़ी ज्यादा हो जायेंगे

श्री रघुनाथ सिंह : इसमें कोई तेलवाहक जहाज भी है ?

श्री एल० बी० शास्त्री : इसमें कोई टैंकर नहीं है ।

Shri N. B. Chowdhury: What is the proportion of the Indian shipping to the total coastal shipping?

Shri Shah Nawaz Khan: We have almost a monopoly of coastal shipping.

Shri V. P. Nayar: May I know whether Government have done anything to acquire additional tonnage for Indian shipping by using their good offices for the purchase from other countries, and if so, the additional tonnage so acquired since 1947.

Shri L. B. Shastri: As I said just now, the private companies have been given loans, and we have provided about Rs. 19.45 crores for this purpose. We expect that they will be able to produce about ten more ships.

Shri V. P. Nayar: That was not my question.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: What the hon. Member wanted to know was the additional tonnage that has been acquired by Government since 1947.

Shri V. P. Nayar: Not even that. I wanted to know whether Government have taken any steps to negotiate with other countries and with other shipping manufacturers, to acquire additional tonnage for Indian shipping. It is not a question of giving money alone.

Shri L. B. Shastri: Shifting lies in the private sector. The hon. Member, I hope, is aware of that. The Government of India at present do not propose to purchase ships directly.

श्री एम० एल० द्विवेदी : क्या यह सच है कि कोस्टल ट्रेड में कुछ विदेशी जहाजों से काम लिया जा रहा है, खास तौर से तेल बौरह लाने के लिये ? अगर यह सही है तो क्या जहाजों की कमी है या प्राइवेट

शिपर्स सहायता नहीं कर रहे हैं, और क्या हम हिन्दुस्तान शिपयार्ड से दूसरे जहाज नहीं ले सकते हैं ?

श्री शाहनवाज खां : जी हां, जहां तक टैंकर्स का सवाल है, हमारे मर्चेंट फ्लीट के पास कोई टैंकर नहीं है, और इसी लिये विदेशी कम्पनियां इस के लिये काम कर रही हैं ।

Shri V. P. Nayar: Is it not a fact that some years back the Indian Ship-owners' Association asked the Government of India to obtain from the United States additional tonnage from surplus disposals for Indian shipping? Is it not also a fact that the request of the Government of India was not met by the United States?

Shri L. B. Shastri: The suggestion was made, but it is not necessary for us to accept all the suggestions made by the shipowners. In fact, we have provided funds for them and we expect them to purchase more ships.

Shri Sarangadhar Das: May I know if, with the progress that we are having up till now with the Plan, for the next year the targets set by the Five Year Plan will be reached?

Shri L. B. Shastri: As I said just now, in fact, we may exceed the target. The Plan has fixed a target of 2,75,000 tons and we hope that additions will be made to the extent of about 2,81,000 tons.

श्री 'सल : क्या मैं जान सकता हूँ कि शिपिंग प्लेनिंग ऐडवाइजरी कमेटी ने क्या २० लाख टन की टोटल शिपिंग का टारगेट रक्खा था, और यदि हां, तो वह कब तक पहुंचेगा ?

श्री एल० बी० शास्त्री : उन्होंने २० लाख टन का टारगेट रक्खा था, लेकिन प्लेनिंग कमिशन ने इस प्लेन पीरियड के लिये छे लाख टन का टारगेट रक्खा है । लेकिन जैसा मैं कह चुका हूँ, हम शायद इस साल ही

या १९५५-५६ तक इस टारगेट से आगे बढ़ जायेंगे और कोशिश करेंगे कि उस से भी ज्यादा आगे बढ़ें ।

WILLINGDON HOSPITAL

*1435. **Shri Jhulan Sinha:** Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state the changes and improvements effected as a result of the Central Government taking over the Willingdon Hospital at New Delhi?

The Deputy Minister of Health (Shrimati Chandrasekhar): A statement giving the information required is placed on the Table of the House [See Appendix VI, annexure No. 2.]

Shri Jhulan Sinha: May I know if with the taking over by the Central Government there has been any improvement which has been demonstrably appreciated by the people, in respect of dispensing medicines or admission of indoor patients or treatment meted out to outdoor ones?

Shrimati Chandrasekhar: The statement supplied to the Member gives all the additional improvements that are going to be effected in the hospital. It is quite clear.

Shri Dabhi: May I know what fees are being charged by the hospital from indoor patients and outdoor patients?

The Minister of Health (Rajkumari Amrit Kaur): There are no fees charged for indoor patients in the hospital, except their food charges if they come into the nursing home or if they have special accommodation on the hospital site.

Shrimati Kamlendu Mati Shah: Is it a fact that some of the doctors in the Willingdon Hospital are not very attentive and that due to the carelessness of a doctor, a patient died because the doctor, after he had been called, would not come, it being a Sunday?

Mr. Deputy-Speaker: Individual cases must be brought to the notice of the Minister.