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LOK SABHA

Tuesday, 14th September, 1954

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock

[MR SPEAKER in the Chair]

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

INDIAN SHIPPING

*878. **Shri Jhulan Sinha:** Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the growth and expansion of the Indian Shipping enterprise has been impeded due to scarcity of trained personnel; and

(b) if so, the steps taken or being taken to relieve the impediment?

The Deputy Minister of Railways and Transport (Shri Alagesan):

(a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Shri Jhulan Sinha: May I know what are the facilities that are there for training the technical personnel for development of shipping in India?

Shri Alagesan: On the 'Dufferin' we are training cadets for the navigational side. At the Marine Engineering College, Calcutta, we are training Engineering officers. Also, post-sea training is imparted in the Nautical and Engineering College at Bombay.

Shrimati Ila Palchoudhury: What percentage of our trade is carried by Indian ships?

Shri Alagesan: The entire coastal trade is carried by Indian ships.

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C. T. O. TRAINING SCHEME

*879. **Shri K. P. Sinha:** Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the number of trainees who after receiving training in the Central Tractor Organisation have so far been absorbed by the said Organisation;

(b) the total number of persons who have completed training upto June, 1954; and

(c) the total number of trainees who are undergoing training at present at Delhi and Bairagarh separately?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri Kidwai): (a) 6.

(b) 78.

(c) 26 at Delhi and 13 at Bairagarh.

Shri K. P. Sinha: May I know if there is any difference in courses for engineering graduates and other trainees?

Shri Kidwai: There is a difference as regards training. Some people come for training only in tractor driving and mechanics. Some people are sent by the Education Ministry for some particular training; others are sent by States.

Shri K. P. Sinha: May I know if the trainees are given any assistance by the Government; if so, what is the assistance given?

Shri Kidwai: When the State Governments send trainees, they must be paying something to them.