

(b) if so, the conditions of the agreement;

(c) the quantity of salt to be supplied under the agreement; and

(d) whether payment will be made by Japan or India will buy some goods from Japan in lieu thereof?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Dinesh Singh): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement indicating the main conditions of the Agreement is attached.

(c) About 3,85,000 tonnes.

(d) Payment will be made by the buyers in free foreign exchange without any condition of purchase of goods from Japan.

Statement

1. Date of agreement	4th July, 1967.
2. Commodity	Coarse marine salt, guaranteed minimum 94% NaCl.
3. Quantity	3,50,000 tonnes upto 10% more.
4. Delivery period	July, 1967 to June, 1968.
5. Port of Loading	Any ports in Saurashtra and Kutch.
6. Payment	By irrevocable confirmed L/C for 100% value on presentation of shipping documents.
7. Loading Rate	1,100 Long Tons per weather working day except Sundays and holidays.

Over-bridge at Alwaye Railway Station

7190. Shri Viswanatha Menon:
Shri E. K. Nayanar:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to construct an overbridge at the Alwaye Railway Station in Kerala; and

(b) if so, when the work is likely to be started?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) There is no proposal so far from the Government of Kerala, for construction of any new road over/under bridge at Alwaye Station.

(b) Does not arise.

Over-Bridge at Tripunittura Road

7191. Shri Viswanatha Menon:
Shri E. K. Nayanar:

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the construction work of the Railway overbridge at Tripunittura Road near Ernakulam, Kerala, has been completed;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) when the work is likely to be completed?

The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha): (a) Railway's portion of the work of bridge structure has already been completed, but the approaches to the bridge are still to be completed by the State Government.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

राष्ट्रीय कोयला विकास निगम

7192. श्री कंबर लाल गुप्त : क्या इस्पात, लान तथा धातु मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) राष्ट्रीय कोयला विकास निगम द्वारा खरीदी गई उन मशीनों का कुल मूल्य कितना है, जिनका इस समय इस्तेमाल नहीं किया जा रहा;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि तीसरी पंचवर्षीय योजना के लिये कोयले के लक्ष्य निर्धारित किये गये थे वे गलत सिद्ध हुए हैं और यदि हाँ, तो मूलतः कितना लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया गया था, तथा कोयला की वास्तविक आवश्यकता कितनी थी ?

इस्पात, खान तथा धातु मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री प्रकाश चन्ध सेठी) : (क) 550.19 लाख रुपये ।

(ख) तीसरी पंचवर्षीय योजना में राष्ट्रीय कोयला विकास निगम का कोयला उत्पादन का लक्ष्य 30.5 मिलियन टन प्रति वर्ष था । तथापि कोयले का बाजार मंदा होने के कारण कोयले का उत्पादन लगभग 10 मिलियन टन प्रति वर्ष तक सीमित रहना पड़ा ।

Decontrol of Commodities

7193. **Shri S. S. Kothari:**
Shri S. K. Tapuriah:
Shri P. N. Solanki:
Shri K. M. Koushik:

Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4963 on the 7th July, 1967 and state the Government's policy in regard to the decontrol of such commodities as have not yet been decontrolled?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Commerce (Shri Mohd. Shafi Qureshi): Government keeps a constant watch on the production, supply and distribution of essential commodities. The policy followed has been to withdraw controls which are ineffective and which come in the way of production.

Mineral Wealth in Manipur

7194. **Shri M. Meghachandra:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Metals be pleased to state:

(a) whether any geological survey has been carried out in Manipur to find out the mineral wealth of the State; and

(b) if so, the result thereof?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Metals (Dr. Channa Reddy): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As a result of investigations carried out by the Geological Survey of India occurrences of limestone, pig iron ore, chromite, asbestos, copper, nickel and lignite have been recorded.

Export of Cotton Yarn to South Korea

7195. **Shri D. D. Jena:**
Shri K. P. Singh Deo:

Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the South Korean Government have offered to buy Indian cotton yarn and railway freight cars from India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reactions of Government thereto?

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Dinesh Singh): (a) to (c). The Government of Republic of Korea have issued tender enquiries for the supply of hosiery cotton, yarn, Bogie Tank Wagons and Bogie Hopper Wagons and S.T.C. had submitted tenders. The S.T.C.'s tender for supply of wagons is the lowest. Negotiations are going on for finalising this deal. As regards the tender for cotton yarn, the results are not yet known.

Ticketless on the Railways

7196. **Shri Baburao Patel:** Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in a surprise check on 15 SF Shikohabad-Farrukabad passenger train on the 13th May, 1967 near Bhogaon Station of the Northern Railway, 161 passengers were caught travelling without tickets and the amount of Rs. 5,260/- was collected as fine by the Railway Magistrate accompanied the railway party;

(b) the number of such raids the railway authorities carry out in co-operation with the Railway Magistrates every month and on what Railways;