

ders for the construction work are being invited from prequalified contractors. It is tentatively targetted to be completed by 1996.

Profits/Losses of Major Ports

5000. PROF. K.V. THOMAS: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the profits/losses of

major ports during 1991-92, till date, port-wise; and

(b) the major revenue earning areas of each port, particularly Cochin Port?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYLER): (a) The operating surplus/deficit, the indicat of profits/losses of major ports during 1991-92 up to December, '91 are as under:

<i>Name of the Port</i>	<i>Operating surplus (Rs. in crores) (provisional)</i>
Bombay	19.97
Calcutta	43.22
Cochin	9.15
Jawaharlal Nehru	10.06
Kandla	25.72
Madras	45.59
Mormugao	8.05
New Mangalore	12.52
Paradip	16.21
Tuticorin	8.07
Visakhapatnam	23.76

(b) The major revenue earning areas of major ports including those of Cochin Port are as follows:

- i) Cargo handling and storage charges
- ii) Port and dock charges
- iii) Container handling charges

iv) Estate rentals.

Exim Scrips

5001. PROF. K.V. THOMAS: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to replace the system of Exim scrips: