

National Highways in the country during the next Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI BUTA SINGH):
(a) Next 5-Year Plan (1980—85) has yet to be finalised and the provision, if any, which might be available for new additions to the existing N.Hs in that is not known at this stage.

(b) Does not arise.

Wagon Tipling System in Paradip Port

3679. SHRI KRUPASINDHU BHOI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) when the wagon tipling system is likely to be commissioned in Paradip Port;

(b) the reasons for delay in installing the equipment; and

(c) what facilities are contemplated for efficient loading of chrome ore in Paradip Port?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI BUTA SINGH):

(a) By about February, 1982.

(b) Delay in completion of the system is due to:

(i) Non-availability of steel and structurals in time;

(ii) Unprecedented rain in 1977 resulting in re-excavation of pit for dumper house;

(iii) Unforeseen appearance of an artisan well at —9.25 metre depth; and

(iv) Suspension of work till revised cost estimate were approved in November, 1979.

(c) For efficient loading of Chrome Ore high capacity shore cranes of 13 ton, payloader and dumpers have been deployed.

Conduct of Drivers and Conductors of DTC Buses

3680. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been or are being taken to train drivers and conductors of DTC buses, including those of private buses on contract with DTC, to deal in courteous manner with passengers and to abide by rules to stop at every bus stop, to wait till children, women and old passengers get in, etc.;

(b) whether the DTC authorities are aware that when one bus has stopped at bus stop the next for other destinations would certainly by-pass and overtake without bothering for its passengers; and

(c) what steps have been taken to arrange orderly queue system at Delhi bus stops?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI BUTA SINGH):

(a) Yes, Sir. DTC Drivers and Conductors are given training for 2 months for this purpose. The drivers employed on private buses under DTC control have instructions to be courteous and polite and be helpful to passengers and more particularly to ladies, children and aged persons and to ensure stoppage of buses at proper stands. Inspectoral staff is also deputed at important stops during rush hours for this purpose.

(b) It is not correct that the next bus by-passes a bus stop if one bus is standing there. Drivers have strict instructions to stop buses at all bus stops where passengers are waiting for it. Occasionally, some drivers resort to by-passing the bus of the same route already picking up passenger at a stop.

(c) During peak periods in the morning and in the afternoon at important bus stops. Inspectoral Staff