

[*Translation*]

Road Tax Act

2760. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEYA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh has sent any proposal to the Union Government for making amendment in the Road Tax Act, 1985; and

(b) if so, the action taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[*English*]

Shallow Mining at K.G.F.

2761. SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA:
SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO:
SHRI K.G. SHIVAPPA:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a mining expert body has represented to the Government for shallow mining at Kolar Gold Fields; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) and (b). No such representation has been made. However, a scheme for Development of shallow gold prospects at K.G.F. was sanctioned in the year 1991-92 and is under implementation.

Cargo Handling Systems

2762. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether there is any proposal to set up new terminals and mechanical Cargo handling system in domestic ports;

(b) if so, whether offers have been received from foreign companies in this regard; and

(c) if so, the response of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to develop a new coal handling terminal at Ennore near Madras and provide mechanical coal handling facilities at Paradip.

(b) Offers for consultancy for detailed engineering and supervision have been received by Madras and Paradip ports.

(c) Formal proposals from these ports for appointment of consultants have not yet been received.

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News From Doordarshan Kendra Jaipur

2764. SHRI GUMAN MALLODHA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Doordarshan Kendra, Jaipur had broadcast false news about flushing out of terrorists from the Hazratbal Mosque in its evening news bulletin in second week of November;