

Permission for running passenger services on Bombay-Goa line with special vessels

4623. SHRI S.S. GHOLAP : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Mughal Line passenger service on Bombay-Goa line is incurring losses for many years ;

(b) if so, the total loss incurred thereon ;

(c) whether it is a fact that a private company viz. Satyagiri Shipping having 'No Objection' certificate from the State have asked permission to run the said service with special vessels like Catamaran Type Ship and Hovercraft between Bombay and Goa and also Bombay Ferry Service ; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI) : (a) and (b). The Mogul Line Limited has incurred losses since the Konkan Passenger service was taken over by them in November, 1973. The total loss incurred by them for 1973-74 to 1984-85 amounts to about Rs. 909.63 lakhs.

(c) The Ministry of Shipping and Transport have not received any such proposal from this Company.

(d) Does not arise.

Allotment of book stalls to unemployed graduates

4624. SHRI SODE RAMAIAH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that only a few new platforms have been constructed at stations from 1982 to 1984 for passenger traffic ; and

(b) how many unemployed graduates have been allotted book stalls at such newly constructed platforms from 1982 to 1984 ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANSI LAL) : (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Pending request of Kerala Government for supply of a whole body C.T. Scan

4625. SHRI VAKKOM PURUSHOTHAMAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any request from the Kerala State for the supply of a whole body C.T. Scan to the Regional Cancer Centre, Trivandrum is pending before Central Government ; and

(b) whether Government propose to supply one of the 9 Scanners expected from Government of Japan to the above Centre ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The Government of India in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare had proposed to the Department of Economic Affairs of the Ministry of Finance to obtain 9 Whole Body CT Scanners from one of the International Agencies as donation. The Government of Japan have since agreed under their Grant Assistance Programme for 1984-85 to donate only 3 Whole Body CT Scanners and the Government of India in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, in turn, has already placed an order on the Directorate General of Supplies and Disposal to procure 3 Whole Body C.T. Scanners from Japanese manufacturers. These 3 Whole Body C.T. Scanners have already been earmarked for supply one each to K.G. Medical College, Lucknow, Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh and Cancer Institute, Madras.