

antiquity in terms of the Antiquities and Art Treasures Act, 1972.

Development of Paradip Port

2601. SHRI CHINTAMANI JENA :
DR. T. KALPANA DEVI :

Will the Minister for SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the steps taken so far for the development of Paradip Port in Orissa;

(b) whether any foreign country has offered its help for the development of this port;

(c) if so, the name of the company and the country which has offered its help and on what terms and conditions; and

(d) the decision of Union Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) :

(a) An outlay of Rs 42 50 crores has been included in the 7th Five Year Plan and an amount of Rs. 10.25 crores has been provided in the Annual Plan 1986-87 for development schemes of Paradip Port. The important facilities provided in the artificial harbour are a fully mechanised iron ore berth, three general cargo berths and a captive fertilizer berth for Paradip Phosphates Ltd.

(b) to (d). A proposal for upgrading the Port facilities for iron ore vessels of size upto 1,70,000 DWT with a loaded draft of 17 M has been received from M/c. Hyundai Corporation of South Korea through minerals and Metals Trading Corporation of India Ltd. The proposal is in a preliminary stage.

Hospitals for Leprosy Patients in Delhi

2602. SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a hospital for leprosy patients is being built at Nand Nagri, New Delhi;

(b) whether Government also propose to build a hospital for leprosy patients at Alipur;

(c) if so, the number of beds proposed in these hospitals; and

(d) when these hospitals will start functioning ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) and (b). No, Sir.

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

Electrification of Bangalore-Madras Railway Line

2603. SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the amount allocated during the Seventh Plan period for electrification of the railway line between Bangalore and Madras; and

(b) the expected time by which the electrification work between these two cities would be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Rs. 13.11 crores, during the first three years of Seventh Plan.

(b) No target date has been fixed for the same.

Financial Assistance to Cultural Organisations

2604. SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO :
SHRI SOMNATH RATH :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the purposes for which financial assistance is given by Union Government to cultural organisations include purchase of equipments, furnitures and other furnishings in the building;