

**Funds from MRTS Madras**

2692. SHRI P. KOLANDAIVELU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the funds provided by the Tamil Nadu Government and the Railways for the implementation of Mass Rapid Transport System at Madras for 1989-90 separately;

(b) the amount actually utilised for the implementation of the scheme so far; and

(c) whether any time-schedule has been fixed for the completion of the scheme, if so, details thereof together with cost involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA):

(a) Tamil Nadu Government Railways - Nil - Rs. 9.85 crores

(b) Rs. 34.92 crores, upto 30.6.1989

(c) No, Sir.

**Trade Turnover of State Trading Corporation**

2693. SHRI V. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the trade turnover of the State Trading Corporation has declined during the past few months;

(b) if so, the targets fixed for 1988-89, if any, and the achievements made; and

(c) the reasons for shortfall and remedial measures being taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P.R. DASMUNSI): (a) Yes, Sir. The total turnover of the State Trading Corporation has declined from Rs. 653 crores during April-June, 1988 to Rs. 371 crores during the corresponding period this year. However, exports have more than doubled from Rs. 72 crores during the period April-June, 1988 to Rs. 150 crores during the corresponding period this year.

(b) the targets for 1988-89 and the achievements against them are as under:-

	Target	(Rs. crores) Actuals
Exports	700	530
Imports	3506	2045
Domestic	21	19
Total turnover	4227	2594

(c) The shortfall in exports in 1988-89 was mainly due to decanalisation of Semi-processed leather, footwear and Lemon-grass oil and non-availability of food grains for exports. The decline in import was on account of sharp cut-back in import of edible

oils due to greater indigenous availability of oil-seeds and also on account of suspension of sugar imports by the Government.

The State Trading Corporation has drawn up Business Action Plan for 1989-90