

Indian origin people who have accepted foreign citizenship, country-wise during last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): In many countries the Governments granting the foreign citizenship to Indian nationals do not follow the practice of informing the Indian Missions concerned, nor do the Indian nationals keep them informed. The required year-wise information is, therefore, not likely to be available. Efforts are, however, being made to collect the information to the extent available and this will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

Posts of Estimators

4359. SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the upgraded posts of Estimators and Draftsmen in Civil Engineering Department in South Eastern Railway have been filled up;

(b) if not, the reasons thereof and when the same are expected to be filled up; and

(c) whether areas from 1st January 1979 will be paid to such Estimators and Draftsmen by whom the upgraded posts will be filled up?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLI KARJUN): (a) and (b). Upgraded posts of Estimators and Draftsmen have been filled up to the maximum extent leaving aside the cases where there are Court Cases.

(c) Arrears are payable from 1-1-79 and will be paid as soon as the selections are finalised and incumbents are promoted regularly.

Bulk carriers designed and built Indigenously

4360. SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL: Will the Minister of SHIP-

PING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of bulk carriers designed and built by the ship builders in the country without any foreign collaboration;

(b) the foreign exchange saved through such indigenous production;

(c) the number of orders for bulk carriers received from abroad; and

(d) the foreign exchange earned thereby?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI VEERENDRA PATIL): (a) Hindustan Shipyard Ltd., Visakhapatnam has so far built 8 bulk cargo carriers as repeats of a proto-type West German design. Besides, 3 bulk carriers of indigenous design are being built by Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers, Calcutta without any foreign collaboration.

(b)(i) Rs. 8,248.36 lakhs approximately on account of 8 bulk carriers built by Hindustan Shipyard; and

(ii) Rs. 4,911.00 lakhs on account of 3 bulk carriers being built by Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers.

(c) Mazagon Dock Limited, Bombay had built to the design supplied by the purchaser and delivered 2 bulk carriers in 1976 to a Singapore party.

(d) Rs. 181.26 lakhs.

Mexico's North South Summit

*4361. SHRI R. L. BHATIA:
SHRI S. M. KRISHNA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the news item captioned 'U.K. undecided on North-South meet' appearing in the Patriot, New Delhi dated the 25th November, 1980;