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(b) Work on 105 sanctioned schemes is in progress during the current year.

# Booking of Coir and Coir Products

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Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any restrictions have been placed on the booking of coir and coir products from the Cochin Harbour Terminus Railway Station;
  - (b) if so, what are they, and
  - (c) the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) Yes, but these restrictions have since been relaxed

- (b) A limit of 100 maunds per day was specified for the acceptance of this traffic as smalls i.e. other than wagon loads
- (c) This limit was imposed with a view to prevent the possibility of wagon load traffic being split up and offered as smalls

### Ships Awaiting To Be Unloaded

1985. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of ships which were awaiting to be unloaded at various ports of India on the 30th November, 1957; and
  - (b) for how long they had waited?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri Lai Bahadur Shastri): (a) Four ships at Vizagapatam and none at any of the other major ports.

(b) The walting period varied from 5 to 45 days.

#### Acreage of Land Irrigated by Bhakra Dam

1906. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state the total acreage of land irrigated by the Bhakra-Nangal Dam as on the 30th of November, 1957?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri S. K. Patil): It has not been possible for the States of Punjab and Rajasthan to collect the information regarding area irrigated as on the 30th November, 1957, as irrigated area is recorded fash-wise i.e. from 1st April to 30th September for Kharif fasl and 1st October to 31st March for Rabi fasl The area irrigated upto the end of September, 1957 by the Bhakra Canal System was 6,78,911 acres.

# Hydro-Electric Project at Dumboor of Amarpur Sub-Division

1907. Shri Bangshi Thakur: Will the Minister of Irrigation and Power be pleased to state.

- (a) whether it is a fact that the scheme of Hydro-Electric Project at Dumboor of Amarpur Sub-Division has been abandoned; and
  - (b) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Shri S. K. Patil): (a) No. The scheme is under investigation.

(b) Does not arise

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(क) स्था यह सच है कि बीकानेर टेनीफोन एक्पचेंज मं काम करने वाले कमंचारियों तथा अनता वे सिये कोई प्रतीकासय, ग्रीचानय सचना मोजनावि करने का स्थान नहीं है; ग्रीर