

registered at the Seamen's Employment Offices at Bombay and Calcutta is as follows:—

	BOMBAY	CALCUTTA	TOTAL
Pakistanis	1016	14168	15,184
Portuguese (Indians)	13056	—	13,056
Chinese and others.	187	—	187
	<u>14279</u>	<u>14168</u>	<u>28427</u>

Of these, the number employed as on 30-6-1958 is as given below.

	BOMBAY	CALCUTTA	TOTAL
Pakistanis	488	8416	8904
Portuguese (Indians)	9148	...	9148
Chinese and others	101	...	101
	<u>2777</u>	<u>8416</u>	<u>11153</u>

Civil Hospital, Imphal

856. { Shri L. Achaw Singh:
Shri Narayanankutty Menon:
Shri Warrior:

Will the Minister of Health be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the X-Ray Plant at the Civil Hospital at Imphal has been out of order and the general public have suffered thereby; and

(b) if so, whether any other plant is being acquired by the Manipur Administration or not?

The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar): (a) The X-Ray plant has been out of order since February, 1958.

(b) It is not proposed to acquire another X-Ray plant as the present one is repairable and steps have already been taken to obtain parts by air from U.S.A.

Loan for Shipping Companies

857. Shri Raghunath Singh: Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state how

many shipping companies have utilised Government loan and to what extent during the last four years?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha. [See Appendix II, annexure No. 167].

Procurement of Paddy in Tripura

858. Shri Dasaratha Deb: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of paddy procured by Government from the Pak Ziratia tenants of Tripura during the last season;

(b) whether the amount was far less than what was expected;

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(d) whether a demand has been made to set up an Enquiry Committee to go into this matter; and

(e) if so, what step has been taken to set up such a committee?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) 21,813 maunds.

(b) No, Sir

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e). In their Memorandum submitted in June, 1958 the self-styled 'Khadya Sankat Tran Committee' alleged that proper accounts of paddy and rice collected from Ziratias were not being maintained and demanded a judicial enquiry. As the allegations were baseless, no action thereon was considered necessary by the Tripura Administration.

Import of Foodgrains

859. Shri Surendranath Dwivedy: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of money spent on food imports during the first two years of the Second Five Year Plan;