(b) the amount of money likely to be spent in the third year of the plan; and

(c) the amount of money spent as freight charges?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain); (a) About Rs. 278 crores.

(b) The budget provision is about Rs. 111 Crores inclusive of Rs. 16 Crores for freight.

(c) About Rs. 57 Crores during the first two years of the Plan.

## Import of Timber

**860.** Shri Subbiah Ambalam: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the timber is permitted to be imported freely into India from Andaman Islands;

(b) if so, what is the value of timber so imported into India during the years 1955-56, 1956-57 and 1957-58;

(c) whether the timber is also exported to other countries from Andaman Islands; and

(d) if so, the principal countries to which it is so exported and its value during the years from 1955 to 1958?

The Minister of Food and Agriculture (Shri A. P. Jain): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) 1955-56 Rs. 47 Lakhs approximately.
  - 1956-57 Rs. 66 Lakhs approximately.
  - 1957-58 Rs. 67 Lakks approximately.

This does not include value of timber exported by M/S. P. C. Ray & Co. (I) Private Ltd. who are the lessee for North Andamans.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) United Kingdom, Continental Ports, Middle East and Australia.

> 1955-56 Sterling £2,25 Lakhs. 1956-57 Sterling £1.20 Lakhs. 1957-58 No exports.

This does not include value of timber exported by M/s. P. C. Ray & Co. (4) Private Ltd., who are the lessee for North Andamans.

## Visual Omni-directional Range System at Santa Crus

**361. Sardar Iqbal Singh:** Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether Visual Omni-directional Range (V.O.R.) System has been installed at Santa Cruz Air Port;

(b) the total cost of this system;

(c) names of other Aerodromes where this system will be installed; and

(d) by what time?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri S. K. Patil): (a) Yes, Sir. A V.O.R. system has been installed at Santa Cruz Airport and brought into regular operation with effect from 25th May 1958.

(b) Rs. 3.45 lakhs out of which equipment costing Rs. 2.18 lakhs has been received free of cost from the U.S.A. Government

(c) Ahmedabad, Belgaum, Dum Dum, Coimbatore, Palam, Gaya, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Lucknow, Madras, Nagpur, Tiruchirappalli and another aerodrome yet to be decided. One V.O.R. is being used in the laboratory of Civil Aviation Training Centre, Allahabad for training purposes.

(d) Installation of V.O.R. systems at Tiruchirappalli, Nagpur and Coimbatore has been taken in hand and is expected to be completed by the end of this year. The installation of V.O.R. systems at other scrodromes will be done progressively as and when the formalities for the acquisition of land, construction of technical buildings and provision of power supply, for which action has already been initiated, are completed. It is