THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOU-DHURY): (a) to (e) Information is being collected from the Zonal Railways and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Regularisation of Services of Muster Roll Workers Casual Labours

10220. SHRI NAGINA RAI: SHRI AMAR ROY PRADHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether his Ministry received any orders in the years 1979, which were issued by the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms (Ministry of Home Affairs) regarding regularisation of services of muster roll workers/casual labours appointed by his Ministry and its departments/subordinate offices;
- (b) whether these orders have not so far been implemented by his Ministry Departments/Subordinate Offices, if so, the reasons therefor: and
- (c) what action his Ministry propose to get them implemented in the near future?

THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS (SHRI A.B.A. GHANI KHAN CHOU-DHURY): (a) Yes.

- (b) The orders of the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms are not applicable to the Casual labourers working on the Railways who are governed by separate orders issued by the Ministry of Railways from time to time.
 - (c) Does not arise.

Indo-Italian Collaboration on Shipping

- 10221. SHRIMATI USHA PRAKASH CHOUDHARI: Will the Minister of SHIP-PING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that India and Raiy had discussed the prospects of collaboration in the field of shipping as also strengthening bilateral economic cooperation;

- (b) if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether any decision were taken and agreement reached during discussion between the two countries; and
 - (d) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANS-PORT (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI): (a) to (d) The Ministry of Shipping and Transport have not in the recent past held any discussions with the Italian authorities relating to shipping. However, in the meeting of the Indo-Italian Joint Committee for Economic Cooperation held in Rome in November 1982, the Italian side inter alia mentioned their interest about supply of bulk carriers to Mogul Line Limited.

Assistance to College Located in Tribals Areas

10222. SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Ministry has formulated a special scheme during Sixth Plan period intended to assist colleges in tribal areas under different Universities:
- (b) if so, norms and criteria of special scheme adopted by the University Grants Commission for assistance for development of colleges in tribal areas and grants from the University Grants Commission for development activities;
- (c) whether Ministry has sent the scheme to States and Universities located in the tribal belts/regions to submit proposals for assistance;
- (d) the proposals submitted by Universities to U.G.C. during Annual Plans of Sixth Plan. State-wise and assistance released during year 1982-83 and proposals underconsideration for the year 1983-84; and
- (e) funds earmarked during Sixth Plan for special scheme and the money spent so far by different colleges or different schemes of the special scheme?