The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): No, Sir. Not to Government's knowledge. However, an offer has been received from the Yugoslav Government to build ships for India to the extent of 10 million Dollars on rupee basis and is now under consideration of Indian shipowners.

Postal Peons

- 1149. Dr. Samantsinhar: Will the Minis er of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:
- (a) the conditions for appointing postal peons particularly in rural area Post Offices;
- (b) whether the Garhmanitri post office in Puri District of the Orissa circle has one postal peon and whether the difficulties of the local public in getting their mails regularly have come to the notice of the postal authorities; and
- (c) if so, what action has been taken?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Dr. P. Subbarayan): (a) Extra-Departmental Delivery Agents are employed, particularly in rural area Post Offices when the work for the Extra-Departmental Agents does not exceed 5 hours and full-time officials are not justified.

(b) and (c). There is an ExtraDepartmental Delivery Agent in this
Post Office which has to serve only 6
villages constituted in a compact area.
No difficulty of the local public in getting their mails regularly has come to
the notice of the Postal authorities.

Scientific Knowledge in Agriculture

- 1150. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any scheme to get the scientific knowledge across to the ordinary farmer for increasing yields has been chalked out;

- (b) if so, whether any practical demonstrations will also be given to the farmers to convince them of the results achieved; and
- (c) when it is likely to be put into practice?

The Minister of Agriculture (Dr. P. S. Deshmukh): (a) to (c). Demonstrations on cultivators fields are conducted every season by State Agriculture Departments and the field Extension Agency as part of their function to convey to farmers scientific information based on results of research for increasing yields of crops. Such information is also put across to farmers in various other ways, such as publication of Extension type literature, rural broadcasts and Gramsahayaks training camps.

D'esel Car Service between Delhi and Moradabad

- 1151. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:
- (a) whether any suggestion for intreducing a three-hour diesel car train service between Delhi and Moradabad has been received by the Ministry;
 and
 - (b) if so the action taken thereon?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shah Nawaz Khan): (a) No, but a suggestion regarding introduction of a quicker diesel Rail Car service between Delhi and Moradabad was made in the Press.

(b) There is no traffic justification for the introduction of diesel Rail Car services on the Delhi-Moradabad Section. Apart from this, spare line capacity on the section as also spare diesel rail cars are not available.

बुग्ध चूर्ण

- ११५२. डा० राम सुभग सिंह : क्या खाछ तथा कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :
- (क) क्या यह सच है कि करनात की राष्ट्रीय डेरी अनुसन्धानशाला में गावों