

(c) The scheme is likely to be continued by the Central Social Welfare Board.

(d) No time limit has been fixed.

Indigenous Games and Sports introduced in Manipur Annual Inter-School Sports Meets

3756. SHRI N. TOMBI SINGH : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the indigenous games and sports of Manipur introduced in the Annual Inter-School Sports Meets held under the auspices of the Education Department of Manipur ; and

(b) what financial and administrative provisions have been made for popularising the indigenous games and sports in the Schools and Colleges of Manipur ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI K. S. RAMASWAMY) : (a) Dhougkang, Yubilakpi and Muknaeare were included in the Annual Inter-School Sports Meets held under the auspices of the Education Department of Manipur.

(b) There is no specific provision in the budget for indigenous games. However, expenditure on this item is met from a lump sum provision of Rs. 1,20,000/- provided in the Manipur Education Budget for games and sports activities in Schools and Colleges in Manipur. In addition, Rs. 70,000/- has been provided for giving financial assistance to Sports Organisations including those catering to indigenous games.

Transfer of Exhibits to newly constructed Museum Building at Vaishali

3757. SHRI N. K. SINHA : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the newly constructed museum building at Vaishali (Muzaffarpur-Bihar) is lying vacant and exhibits have not yet been transferred from the old museum building ; and

(b) if so, the reasons thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAVA) : (a) and (b). Although the new museum building at Vaishali appears to be generally ready, the iron grills still remain to be fitted to the windows and ventilators, which are most essential for the safety of the exhibits. In the absence of the iron grills the building is not yet complete and fit for use as a museum and has not been taken over by the Survey from the Central Public Works Department.

Visit of an Indian Team to London in connection with increase in Freight rates

3758. SHRI S. M. KRISHNA :
SHRI RAMSHEKHAR PRASAD SINGH :

Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether an Indian team visited London and had talks on 11th and 12th June in connection with the 15 per cent shipping freight rates increase by India-U. K. Continent Conference ; and

(b) if so, what were the conclusions arrived at in the meeting ?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, AND SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR) : (a) Yes, Sir. A high level delegation headed by the Secretary, Ministry of Shipping and Transport held discussions in London between 11th and 16th June, 1971 with the India/Pakistan/U. K. Continent Conference.

(b) During the discussions, the Conference have expressed their willingness to agree only to the following reductions/concessions in connection with the proposed freight increase :

(i) to reduce the 15% increase to 12½% increase.

(ii) the concessions on sensitive products would be retained and within the package already notified Government would be free to vary the list of concessional products.