THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRIK HANUMANTHAIYA). (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha

Effect on India's Exports consequent upon China's entry in to U. S. Markets

3143 SHRI NIHAR LASKAR SHRI C T DHANDAPANI

Will the Minister of IORLIGN TRADE be pleased to state

(a) whether entry of Chaina into the U S markets has in any way allected the Indian exports to the U S A, and

(b) if so, to what extent '

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A (GEORGF) (a) and (b) The entry of (hina into the US market has not so fai effected Indo US trade to any appreciable extent

Economy measures adopted by Railways

3144 SHRI K RAMA KRISHNA RLDDY Will the Minister of RAIL-WAYS be pleased to state

(a) the measures of economy taken by the Ministry of Railways to improve the financial position of the Railways,

(b) the monetary savings achieved in the fields of fuel consumption, claims and compensations and unproductive establishments, and

(c) the recommendations of the Claims Committee 1969 which have not been imple mented, even though accepted and the tecommendations which have been rejected ?

THE MINISTFR OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K HANUMANTHAIYA) (1) A statement 15 laid on the Table of the Ho se [Placed in Library See No L1-1792/72]

(b) Improvement in efficiency, operation and productivity leading to economy directly or indirectly is a continuous process by way of various measures adopted on Railways as briefly mentioned against part (a). There has been no reduction m the payment of compensation for loss, damage etc., on booked consignments during 1971-72 As regards fuel, some savings were achieved during 1970-71 as compared to 1960-70

(c) Instructions have been issued to the Zonal Railways on the recommendations of One Man Expert Committee on Compensation Claims which have been accepted in full or in part or in modified form The nature of most of the recommendations is such that implementation thereof is a conti-For instance, the recomnuous process menditions on marking addrssing sealing rivetting labelling, locking, handling, arousing of claims consciousness among the staff, connecting of unconnected wagons fixing of staff responsibility, repairs of pinel cut wagons, training of staff watching of detentions, issue of damage and deficiency messages correc compilation of statisprovision of adequate covered tics accommodation in goods shuds, expeditous investigations and disposal of claims cases issue of shortage cert ficates, periodically meetings with big undertaking Chambers of Comm ice etc., holding of mobile claims offices prevention of litigation, quick satisfaction of decises watching the performance of Railway advocates ele are under constant into ementation The reviews of staff strength suggested by the Committee are also being conducted by the Zonal Railways The implementation of the recommendations as accepted by the Railway Board, for augmentation of the stringth of the Commercial Officers and staff will however, have to be done in phases within the availabel finances

The recommondations made in the following paragriphs of the summary of observations and recommendations which have not been acc pied are —

153 160, 163, 175, 178 181, 183, 185 187, 189 192, 215 216 235 248, 259, 319, 351 357 3⁻⁶, 37), 431 41 48), 496, 526, 556, 557, 551, 572 601, 615

Capacity of Goods Traffic during Third and Fourth Plans

3145 SHRI K RAMA KRISHNA RFDDY Will the Minister of RAIL-WAYS be pleased to state