

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE  
(SHRI A. C. GEORGE)**

Recommendations of the Study cum-sales Team to E.E.C. Countries	Action taken
(a) There is need for keeping delivery schedules of goods ordered from abroad;	(a) The need for this has all along been emphasised on the entire export section of Handicrafts.
(b) Publicity for Indian handicrafts abroad should be given more attention.	(b) Various measures for publicity have been taken by the All India Handicrafts Board from time to time, such as films on different crafts, brochures and pamphlets on individual crafts, Directory of Exporters, handicrafts calendars etc. etc.
(c) A Central Show Room for Handicrafts may be set up, and	(c) This idea is already covered up in Crafts Museum.
(d) Buying teams from abroad may be invited to India.	(d) Individual buyers have been coming to India, but proposals regarding inviting of buyers teams have still to be received.

**REPORT OF STUDY-CUM-SALES TEAM TO JAPAN**

1279. SHRI P.A. SAMINATHAN: Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state the action taken on the report of the Sales-cum-Study Team headed by Shri S.K. Guha, Development Commissioner for Handicrafts that visited Japan in July, 1970?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A.C. GEORGE): The suggestions contained in the report for boosting of our exports were circulated to the Regional Exporters Associations of Handicrafts, State Governments, and all other Institutions concerned with the exports of handicrafts with a view to acquainting them with the conditions in the Japanese Market and the prospects for exports there. Further, the Market Extension Centres of the All India Handicrafts Board have been entrusted with added responsibilities to work as Handicrafts Service Centres on the basis of the idea of the Japanese Design Institute.

**ADEQUACY OF RETIRING AND DORMITORY TYPE OF ROOMS AT PATNA CITY RAILWAY STATION**

1280. SHRI MD. JAMILURRAHMAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Retiring and dormitory type of rooms and waiting rooms available at Patna City Railway Station are adequate to meet the needs of the passengers; and

(b) if not, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. HANUMANTHAIYA): (a) and (b). There are no Retiring Rooms at Patna City Railway Station. To meet the requirements of the passengers provision for one Retiring Room with 2 beds and one Dormitory with 4 beds has been made by Eastern Railway in their Works Programme for 1971-72. The Waiting room accommodation at Patna City Station is considered adequate for the needs of the passengers.

**INSPECTION VISIT OF PATNA CITY RAILWAY STATION**

1281. SHRI MD. JAMILURRAHMAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Divisional Superintendent & Incharge of Patna City Railway Station has paid inspection visits to the Station; and

(b) if so, when?