

the Road overbridge. This portion of the work is being executed by New Delhi Municipal Committee whereas the bridge portion is to be constructed by the Railway.

It has been advised by the Ministry of Works, Housing and Supply that views of all concerned were duly taken into account before taking the decision to continue the work.

Incentive Scheme to reward Travelling Ticket Examiners

252. SHRI AMAR NATH CHAWLA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Ministry of Railways has instituted an incentive scheme to reward the Travelling Ticket Examiners who are able to realise the highest amount of excess charge and detect the highest number of unbooked luggage cases in the Zonal Railways ;

(b) if so, the salient features of the incentive scheme ; and

(c) the number of Travelling Ticket Examiners who have since been rewarded under the scheme and the amount of penalty realised from the defaulting passengers ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI T. A. PAI) : (a) Yes.

(b) A statement is attached.

(c) During 1971-72, 1,180 Travelling Ticket Examiners were given cash awards and 1,228 were given commendation certificates. The amount of penalty realised from defaulting passengers during 1971-72 was Rs. 1,43,39,721/-.

Statement

An incentive scheme was introduced in 1961. This was enlarged in 1968 with the following provisions :—

(1) Rewards to Travelling Ticket Examiners who have the highest number of excess charge and unbooked luggage cases on the whole Railway.

(2) A reward to the Squad of Travelling Ticket Examiners responsible for realisation of Rs. 500/- and over as excess charge from marriage parties, kisan specials, etc.

(3) A reward to the Travelling Ticket Examiner whose earnings in a quarter on account of higher excess charge are more than double the average per Travelling Ticket Examiner of his group.

(4) Commendation certificates to Travelling Ticket Examiners who issue excess fare tickets for amounts exceeding Rs. 100/-

In addition to the above, the Heads of Departments on the Railways have powers to sanction cash awards for efficient work.

Amendment to the existing Law to deal with the Problem of Thefts and Pilferages on Railways

253. SHRI AMAR NATH CHAWLA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any proposal under consideration to amend the existing law to deal effectively with the problem of thefts and pilferages on Railways ; and

(b) if so, when the proposed legislation is likely to be introduced and the nature of amendments proposed ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI T.A. PAI): (a)and(b) With a view to enable the Railway Protection Force to deal effectively with the problems of thefts and pilferages on Railways, certain amendments to the existing R. P. F. Act, R. P. (U. P.) Act and Indian Railways Act, recommended by the High Powered Committee on Security and Policing on Railways, are at present under consideration in consultation with Ministry of Home Affairs.

New Market for Indian Engineering and Consumers goods in Poland

254. SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAKO-
DKAR :
SHRI SHRIKISHAN MODI :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether India has found new market in Poland for Engineering and Consumers goods, and

(b) whether several Polish trade delegations have visited India in this regard and if so, the outcome of the visits?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A C GEORGE) (a) Yes, Sir

(b) Yes, Sir These visits are expected to result in increased exports from India of the following engineering and consumers goods

Forgins hand tools and abrasives, pipe fittings, industrial valves, household equipment, different light engineering goods, batteries, builders hardware, various varieties of textiles, leather hand-bags, tinned juices and sports goods

Commercial agreement with E E C

255 SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAKODKAR
SHRI K. LAKKAPPA

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state

(a) whether India is pursuing the question of finalisation of commercial agreement with E E C,

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken in view of the poor response of member countries, and

(c) whether Britain has offered and shown her willingness to have official level talks on various issues in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A C GEORGE) (a) Yes, Sir

(b) We are hopeful of the support of all member States of the E E.C. to our proposal for a Commercial agreement between India and the E E C.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Power crisis in Goa

256. SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAKODKAR; Will the Minister of IRRI-

GATION AND POWER be pleased to state

(a) whether Goa is facing power famine,

(b) whether the absence of any firm commitment from the Mysore and Maharashtra Governments in regard to power supply to Goa has created a difficult situation in Goa,

(c) whether the Centre has been approached for help to solve this problem in the Union Territory, and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI B N KURFEL) (a) and (b) No, Sir

(c) and (d) Do not arise

Export ordered for Military Software

257 SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAKODKAR
SHRI K LAKKAPPA

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state

(a) whether State Trading Corporation propose to export military soft-ware like tents, boots, uniforms and helmets to African and West Asian countries during 1972-73,

(b) the countries from which export orders therefor have been received, and

(c) the total value of export orders and when they are likely to be executed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A C GEORGE) (a) Yes, Sir

(b) Nigeria, Lebanon, Jordan and Saudi Arabia

(c) The total value of export orders is Rs 27 lakhs and they are likely to be executed by the end of October, 1972.