

Visit by Minor Port Committee to Chandbali Port, Orissa

7712. SHRI ARJUN SETHI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether recently the minor Port Committee under the Chairmanship of Brigadier O.P. Narula visited Chandbali Port in the district of Balasore, Orissa; and

(b) if so, what is the purpose of visit, and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR): (a) Yes.

(b) The Committee visited the port of Chandbali in pursuance of the objectives for which it has been set up, namely,

- (i) to examine the inter-related problems of traffic offerings at the minor ports;
- (ii) facilities that should be provided at these ports to cater to the traffic available or likely to be available; and
- (iii) activating the boat building capacity with a view to developing increased traffic at the minor ports.

The Committee has not yet submitted its reports.

Final estimates of Fishing Harbour at Dhamara, Orissa

7713. SHRI ARJUN SETHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 494 on 18th December, 1972 regarding Project Report in fishing harbour at Dhamara, Orissa and state:

(a) whether the required estimates have been received from the State Government of Orissa for the proposed fishing harbour at Dhamara; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE):

(a) Most of the information except the verification of the cost estimates prepared by the UNDP Project with reference to the current schedule of rates has recently been received from the State Government.

(b) On receipt of information relating to cost estimates from the State Government, the proposal will be considered for sanctioned in consultation with the Ministry of Finance.

Seminar on National Health Scheme for Rural Areas

7714. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recommendations made at the Seminar on the National Health Scheme for rural areas has since been considered by Government; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (SHRI R. K. KHADILKAR): (a) and (b). The views expressed at the Seminar will be taken into account while finalizing the Scheme. No final decision has been taken in the matter so far.

Per capita consumption in rupees of medicines in India

7715. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) per capita consumption in rupees of medicines in India; and