

Preservation of Ancient Monuments

3754. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA:
SHRI P. GANGADEB:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of ancient monuments in the country are in bad condition;

(b) if so, whether nothing is being done or has been done for their proper restoration or preservation and if so, reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps to be taken for their preservation?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE (PROF. S. NURUL HASAN): (a) Due to inadequate funds, it has not been possible to undertake repairs to all the protected monuments.

(b) and (c). More funds are being provided during the current financial year for preservation works on a large number of monuments. For the Fifth Five Year Plan, a scheme has been proposed whereby more monuments needing urgent repairs would be attended to.

Food Mission sent Abroad

3755. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA:
SHRI P. GANGADEB:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sent some officials abroad on Food Mission;

(b) if so, the specific purpose for which officials from his Ministry have been sent;

(c) whether success has been achieved in the mission; and

(d) if so, the broad outlines thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ANNASAHEB P. SHINDE): (a) to (d) No Food Mission has been sent abroad recently.

Development of Karwar Port

3757. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA:
SHRI DHARAMRAO
AFZALPURKAR:

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

(a) the reasons why development of Karwar Port has not been cleared in spite of Karwar offering rich potential for developing it into an all weather port;

(b) whether Government of Mysore has submitted all the details required for clearance in the Ministry of Shipping and Transport, and

(c) if so, the reason for delay in taking up this project?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJ BAHADUR)

(a) to (c). The revised project report for the development of Port of Karwar, received from the Government of Mysore in January, 1978, inter alia envisages traffic of one million tonnes of export of iron ore through the Port by the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation. The Corporation, who were consulted, had raised some points which have since been discussed with the representatives of the Government of Mysore. The Project Report has been cleared by the Ministry of Shipping and Transport from the technical angle. After it has been concurred in by the Ministry of Finance, necessary administrative approval will be accorded.

Planned and Integrated Domestication of Plants Animals, Soil and Water

3758. SHRI B. V. SWAMINATHAN:
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state.

(a) whether the Director-General Indian Council of Agricultural Re