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| <i>(b) Edible oilseeds</i> |        |        |                                     |
| Rapeseed                   | 75,873 | 12,777 | 80,000<br>equivalent<br>in Jai hind |
| Groundnut and/or sesam     |        |        | 10,15,000                           |

(b) Imports are being planned keeping in view the minimum requirements for supplementary indigenous production. However actual imports are governed by the availability of foreign exchange for the purpose and also the supply and price position of edible oilseeds and oils in world markets.

#### Development of Salaya Port

2064. SHRI P. M. MEHTA:  
SHRI PRABHUDAS PATEL:

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

(a) whether Gujarat Government has requested the Union Government to develop the Salaya Port in Jamnagar District in Gujarat State which has been hotbed of smugglers for many years;

(b) if so, when the final decision for development of this port is likely to be undertaken; and

(c) the total cost of expenditure involved?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI KAMLA-PATI TRIPATHI): (a) The Government of Gujarat have proposed the development of Salaya Port, among others, under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Minor Port Development in the Fifth Five Year Plan.

(b) A decision on the list of schemes to be included under Centrally Sponsored Schemes has not yet been taken. This will be done on the finalisation of the Plan.

(c) Does not arise.

#### "Ship-Bunching hits vital imports"

2065. SHRI P. M. MEHTA:  
SHRI VASANT SATHE:

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

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the press report in the *Hindustan Times* dated the 24th October, 1973 under the heading "Ship-bunching hits vital imports";

(b) if so, how far this is true;

(c) what were the reasons for the same; and

(d) what steps were taken by the Ministry in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI KAMLA-PATI TRIPATHI): (a) Yes.

(b) to (d). Unloading of foodgrains and fertilizers from ships is the responsibility of the Food Corporation of India. In order to speed up this work, a number of berths have been reserved for foodgrains and fertilizer vessels at Bombay, Kandla and other ports. As regards newsprint, the problem is confined to Bombay Port. Bombay Port Trust have been according priority to vessels carrying newsprint and six such vessels have already been berthed on priority basis. The Port Trust also considers requests for grant of priority in berthing to other vessels carrying essential commodities on the merits of each case.

While there has been some bunching of ships at Bombay, the congest-