

Export of Diesel Oil to Saigon

4729. Shri Jyotirmoy Basu:
Dr. Ranen Sen:

Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to state

(a) whether India has undertaken to export 1000 tonnes of diesel oil to the U S authorities in Saigon,

(b) whether it is also a fact that the U S authorities were allowed to charter a Greek steamer for transporting of military supplies from Calcutta to Saigon,

(c) whether the crew of the said steamer staged a protest strike, and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Chemicals and of Planning and Social Welfare (Shri Raghuramalaiah): (a) No, Sir

(b) The Govt of India have no information about any such charter by the U S authorities Under the Indian Merchant Shipping Act 1958, it is not necessary for a foreign Govt to obtain the approval of the Govt of India to the charter of a foreign-ship

(c) and (d) These questions do not arise But Govt are aware of a report that some Greek crew members of a cargo ship flying the Liberian flag struck work when the ship was about to sail from Calcutta to South Vietnam in October 1986 The Captain of the ship then made alternative crew arrangements through agents at Calcutta

Manufacture of protein from Petroleum products

4730. Shri Kameshwar Singh:
Shri A. Sreedharan:
Shri Nihal Singh:
Shri Sheopujan Shastri:
Shri J. R. Singh:

Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to state

(a) whether Government are setting up a plant to manufacture pro-

tein concentrates from the petroleum products in the public sector,

(b) if so, the capital requirement, and

(c) the annual production capacity envisaged?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Chemicals and of Planning and Social Welfare (Shri Raghuramalaiah): (a) No

(b) and (c) Do not arise

Cochin-Coimbatore Pipe Line

4731. Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
Shri Heerji Bhal:
Shri K. Pradhan:

Will the Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals be pleased to state

(a) the latest progress made so far in regard to the construction of the pipe-line from Cochin to Coimbatore to transport petroleum products, and

(b) the estimated cost of the construction?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Chemicals and of Planning and Social Welfare (Shri Raghuramalaiah): (a) The field survey for the pipeline has been completed and a techno economic report on the feasibility of the project is at present under the examination of the Indian Oil Corporation

(b) A preliminary estimate of cost is Rs 520 crores

Social Welfare Programme

4732. Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
Shri Heerji Bhal:
Shri K. Pradhan:

Will the Minister of Social Welfare be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Social Welfare Programme for the Fourth Five Year Plan has been finalised,