

(c) whether the Enquiry Commission has submitted any report; and

(d) if so, whether a copy of the Report will be laid on the Table of the House ?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) :** (a) to (d). The State Government appointed a Commission of Inquiry on their own. The appointment was notified on 21st January, 1969 and the Commission has been given two months time to complete the enquiry. The inquiry is in progress.

(b) According to a preliminary report received by the State Government from the district authorities, 20 teachers, 8 convict warders and overseers and 4 members of the jail staff received injuries.

**Directorate of Correspondence Course and Continuing Education**

**1349. SHRI MANIBHAI J. PATEL :** Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal that Directorate of Correspondence Courses Continuing Education be recognised as a separate Degree giving body ; and

(b) if so, the details of the scheme ?

**THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES DR. V.K.R.V. RAO:** (a) and (b). Information is being collected from the University of Delhi and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha.

**Special Vessels for Bulk Cargoes**

**1350. SHRI MUHAMMAD SHERIFF:** Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND SHIPPING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is proposed to develop and put into operation specialised vessels for carriage of bulk cargoes like cement and fertilizers and refrigerated cargo like fish and fruits; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

**THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND SHIPPING**

**AND TRANSPORT (SHRI RAGHU RAMAIAH) :** (a) and (b) . Most of the cargo vessels presently in operation are capable of carrying bulk cargoes like cement and fertilizers and therefore, no specialised vessels are proposed to be developed for this purpose. For carriage of refrigerated cargoes, refrigerated space is available in many our ships. In addition, refrigerated containers have also been acquired and put on ships serving trade; demanding more refrigerated space. For catering to the needs of the banana export trades which are seasonal, it has been found economical to character suitable ships. Therefore, it is not proposed to develop at present special ships solely for refrigerated cargo.

**Foreign Sailings of India-owned Liners**

**1341. SHRI MUHAMMAD SHERIFF :** Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND SHIPPING be pleased to state the number of India-owned liner sailings operating in our foreign trade ?

**THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS & SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI RAGHU RAMAIAH) :** As on 31.1.1969, 115 India owned ships were operating in India's overseas liner trades.

**Losses of Occurring At Bombay Port**

**1352. SHRI MUHAMMAD SHERIFF :** Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND SHIPPING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade has made an estimate regarding the losses occurring to shipping at Bombay Port on account of the delays in turn round ;

(b) the loss to importers by way of demurrage charges ;

(c) the bottlenecks in clearance of cargo that lead to the above losses ; and

(d) the steps taken to remove them ?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, AND IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI IQBAL SINGH) :** (a) The Indian Institute of Foreign Trade