

permissible limit of human error involved in estimation methodology.

(d) and (e) The information is being collected and same will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Primary Education

766. SHRI GORDHANBHAI JADAVBHAI JAVIYA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the percentage of Indian children who have completed primary education at present alongwith break-up of boys and girls students?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI) : The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Reservation to SCs/STs in Judiciary

767. SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT :
SHRI D.S. AHIRE :

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to provide reservation to the SCs/STs in the judiciary; and

(b) if so, the time by which the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. M. THAMBI DURAI) : (a) and (b) There is no

proposal under consideration to provide reservation to SCs/STs in the matter of appointment of Judges of High Courts and Supreme Court. As per Articles 233, 234 and 235 of the Constitution of India, the matters relating to appointment, promotion and posting of persons in District and Subordinate Judiciary are within the purview of the respective State Governments and High Courts.

Dumping of Toxic Wastes

768. SHRI NARESH PUGLIA : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned "Toxic Wastes piling up in India" appearing in the *Statesman* dated April 28, 1998;

(b) if so, whether containers full of toxic substances and exported to India by other countries are lying unclaimed at several ports; and

(c) if so, the facts thereof and the remedial steps Government propose the take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABULAL MARANDI) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. As per the information supplied by various ports and inland container depots, the status of hazardous wastes lying at some of the ports and container depots is given in the attached statement Existing facilities at various industrial units for disposal of these wastes in an environmentally sound manner have been surveyed by the Ministry of Environment & Forests. Samples of hazardous wastes lying at various ports and container depots have been collected and their analysis is in progress.

Statement
Statement of Hazardous Wastes Imported and Stored/Auctioned at various Indian Ports

Name of the Port	No. of Containers	Quantity Received (In tonnes)										Quantity Auctioned (In tonnes)											
		1996-97					1997-98					1998-97					1997-98						
		Zn Ash	Pb Ash	Lead Batt.	Waste Oil	Other	Zn Ash	Pb Ash	Lead Batt.	Waste Oil	Other	Zn Ash	Pb Ash	Lead Batt.	Waste Oil	Other	Zn Ash	Pb Ash	Lead Batt.	Waste Oil	Other		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
PORTS																							
JLN Port Trust, Mumbai	126	19	3973	Nil	10649	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1366	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Mumbai Port -## Trust, Mumbai (as on 24.1.1998)	840	140	5898	641	9324	636	Nil	Nil	760	1.78	1.55	Nil	167	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Kandla Port Trust -##	597	614	2719	576	5012	1340	Nil	7719	195	2920	35	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Calcutta Port Trust Cokstee Dock -## system	21	86	Nil	3145	250	Nil	Nil	189	1349	115	22	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Haldia Dock Complex	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
New Mangalore Port Trust	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Chennai Port Trust	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cochin Port Trust	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Visakapatnam Port Trust	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Paradip Port Trust	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Marmagao Port Trust, Gen	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Tuticorin Port Trust	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

(also dross & scrap)

(skimmings)

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
Inland Container Depot																								
Custom House, Kandia, Gujarat		6	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	59	61	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
								(Battery Scrap)																
ICD, Bangalore		5	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	86	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
								(ickel Hydroxide)																
Container Freight States, Ludhiana		1940	108	Nil	Nil	Nil	100	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1731	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
ICD, Tughlakabad		Nil	99	9325	658	7265	1382	Nil	1942	140	2765	24	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	150	Nil	Nil
																						(9 containers)		
Custom House, Chennai		3	Nil	60	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

* Containers lying at present-47

Analysis report not received alongwith imported consignment