

countries having different social and economic systems. The countries in the Eastern Europe have undertaken important obligations for expanding their trade with developing countries. The developing countries have also agreed to cooperate among themselves to expand their mutual trade.

When the resolutions adopted at UNCTAD are fully implemented, it is expected that in due course the developing countries will have a greater say in the decision making process of the international community on important economic matters than hitherto. Further, as a result of the progressive relaxation and eventual elimination of barriers affecting their trade, facilities would become available for the external trade of the developing countries to expand. In addition, the improvement of commercial infra-structure like shipping and insurance would also encourage the expansion of the trade of developing countries. The improvement in the volume and terms of flow of external financial resources would help in the acceleration of the economic development of developing countries. Thus in due course the developing countries would be able to fulfil the concept of self-reliance and international cooperation.

पश्चिम रेलवे में बोरी, हत्या, लूट और डकैती की घटनाएँ

*1046. श्री हुकम चन्द कछवाय : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गत वर्ष पश्चिम रेलवे में बोरी, हत्या, लूट और डकैती की कितनी घटनाएँ हुईं;

(ख) इनसे अनुमानतः यात्रियों की कितने रुपये की सम्पत्ति की हानि हुई; और

(ग) भविष्य में ऐसी घटनाओं को रोकने के लिये सरकार क्या कदम उठा रही है ?

रेल मंत्री (श्री के० हनुमन्तैया) : (क)

वर्ष	बोरी	हत्या	लूट-पाट	डकैती
1971	1339	9	15	3

(ख) 9,38,571 रु०

(ग) (i) रात में चलने वाली सभी महत्वपूर्ण गाड़ियों के साथ सरकारी रेलवे पुलिस के आरक्षी चलते हैं।

(ii) पर्यवेक्षक पुलिस अधिकारी, सरकारी रेलवे पुलिस के कर्मचारियों की ड्यूटी की जांच और सक्रिय अपराधियों पर निगाह रखते हैं।

(iii) परिचित अपराधियों की गतिविधियों पर रेलवे सुरक्षा दल द्वारा प्रच्छन्न निगाह भी रखी जाती है।

Steps to Secure Foreign Orders for Salt

*1056. SHRI IKRISHNA CHANDRA PANDEY : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a great demand for Indian salt in the world market; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to secure order for this commodity ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE) : (a) There is a fluctuating demand in the world market for Indian salt.

(b) Salt exports have been canalised through S. T. C., whose foreign offices are promoting sales abroad. S. T. C. utilises Indian Trade Missions to promote exports wherever it does not have its own offices. Delegations consisting of S. T. C. representatives and salt manufacturers undertake sales tours. Visiting delegations are also approached regarding purchases of salt.

Allotment of Wagons For Coal to West Bengal and Bihar

*1057. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the coal industry in West Bengal is receiving about 650 less wagons