

(b) Shuklatirth, Kabirwad, Gora and Malsar.

(d) Does not arise.

Ship from Yugoslavia for Laccadive Islands

*503. SHRI P. M. SAYEED : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the progress made in the construction of the ship being built in Yugoslavia for use in Laccadive Islands; and

(b) the time by which it is expected to be handed over and put into service ?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, AND SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI RAGHU RAMAIAH) : (a) and (b). The keel of the vessel was laid on 1st March, 1968. The delivery of the vessel in Yugoslavia is expected by 31st December, 1969. It is expected to be put on service by March, 1970.

Reservation for Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe Candidates

*504. SHRI KAMESHWAR SINGH : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are going to scrap some provisions laid down by his Ministry's Memorandum of July, 1968, providing for reservation at 12½ per cent and 5 per cent respectively, for the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe candidates in promotions in service where the element of direct recruitment does not exceed 50 per cent;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken decision in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. S. RAMASWAMY) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Government have passed orders, providing reservations at 12½% and 5% of vacancies for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes respectively in promotions made on the basis of competitive examination limited to Departmental candidates, within or to Class II, III and IV services/posts where the element of direct recruitment does not

exceed 50 per cent and in promotions made by selection, in or to Class III and IV services/posts, where the element of direct recruitment does not exceed 50 per cent, after careful consideration. The Government do not see any reason for revising these orders.

Modernisation of Ports

*505. SHRI N. R. LASKAR : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering a proposal to modernise ports to handle bigger ships;

(b) if so, when it is likely to be undertaken;

(c) whether it is also a fact that an Experts Team of the International Association of Ports and Harbours had observed that the existing facilities are not being fully utilised; and

(d) if so, what action is being taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, AND SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI RAGHU RAMAIAH) : (a) and (b). Facilities are already being developed at a number of ports for handling bigger ships. The Fourth Five-Year Plan development programme which is under consideration has also been framed keeping this recruitment in view.

(c) and (d). A Team of Experts from the International Association of Ports and Harbours made certain general observation in their report that with few exceptions the existing port facilities are not being used to their potential. This observation is however, not borne out by facts as the general utilisation of berths in our country is much more intensive than a Western Countries. Notwithstanding this, efforts are being made to further maximise the use of available facilities by improved drafts; cargo handling methods, night navigational facilities etc.

Mechanised Handling of Cargoes and Separate berths at ports

*506. SHRI MUHAMAD SHERIFF : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state the steps

taken by the Port authorities in India for introducing mechanised handling of cargoes at ports and provision of separate berths for handling bulk cargoes such as grain, fertilizers, machine parts and medicines ?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, AND SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI RAGHU RAMAIAH) : A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-335/69]

इंडिया इंटरनेशनल सेन्टर, नई दिल्ली द्वारा आयोजित प्रदर्शनी

*507. श्री विभूति मिश्र : क्या शिक्षा तथा युवक सेवा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या 'इंडिया इंटरनेशनल सेन्टर', नई दिल्ली ने एक प्रदर्शनी आयोजित की थी जिसमें प्राचीन पुस्तकें तथा मानचित्र प्रदर्शित किए गए थे ;

(ख) क्या इंडिया इंटरनेशनल सेन्टर ने कलकत्ता स्थित राष्ट्रीय पुस्तकालय से दिल्ली के प्राचीन मानचित्र मांगे थे ; और

(ग) क्या राष्ट्रीय पुस्तकालय ने इन मानचित्रों को देने से इंकार कर दिया था और यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

शिक्षा तथा युवक सेवा मंत्री (डा० बी० के० आर० बी० राव) : (क) जी हाँ ।

(ख) इंडिया इंटरनेशनल सेन्टर ने दिल्ली शहर के 1900 से पहले के नक्शों की सूची तथा उसकी फोटो प्रतियां मांगी थी ।

(ग) जी नहीं ।

Anti-India Propaganda by Indian News Agencies

*508. SHRIMATI SAVITRI SHYAM : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that certain Indian news agencies, in co-operation with other international agencies, are carrying on propaganda in India against the interests of the country ; and

(b) if so, the action Government propose to take against them ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN) : (a) and (b). Facts are being ascertained and will be furnished subsequently.

चौथी योजना में नये इंजीनियरी कालेज तथा पालीटेक्निक

*509. श्री यशवन्त सिंह कुशाबाहू : क्या शिक्षा तथा युवक सेवा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजना की अवधि में देश में कितने नये इंजीनियरी कालेज और पालीटेक्निक खोलने का विचार है ; और

(ख) चौथी पंचवर्षीय योजना की अवधि में शिक्षा व्यवस्था में सुधार करने के लिए क्या कार्यवाही करने का विचार है ताकि देश में बेरोजगारी की समस्या को हल किया जा सके ?

शिक्षा तथा युवक सेवा मंत्री (डा० बी० के० आर० बी० राव) : (क) केन्द्रीय सरकार और राज्य सरकारों की चौथी पंचवर्षीय आयोजना के अधीन कोई नया इंजीनियरी कालेज अथवा पालीटेक्निक खोलने का विचार नहीं है ।

(ख) इंजीनियरों और तकनीशियनों में वर्तमान बेरोजगारी का मुख्य कारण उद्योग में मंदी और आयोजना प्रायोजना का अस्थयन है । चौथी आयोजना अवधि में इस स्थिति में सुधार होने की आशा है ।

तकनीकी शिक्षा के स्तर और कोटि में सुधार के लिए पालीटेक्निक डिप्लोमा पाठ्यक्रमों का विविधीकरण करने तथा उद्योग द्वारा प्रोत्साहित तकनीशियनों के प्रशिक्षण को क्रियात्मक रूप से अभिविग्यास करने का प्रस्ताव है । चतुर्थ आयोजना में पाठ्यचर्या का विकास, अनुदेशात्मक सामग्री तैयार करना, तकनीकी अध्यापकों का पूर्व-सेवा और सेवाकालीन प्रशिक्षण, संकाय विकास, उद्योग में व्यावहा-