

(c) Question does not arise.

Recruitment of Seamen From Calcutta Port

2667. DR. SUDHIR RAY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether 30 per cent ships of the Indian Shipping Corporation and other Private Companies are earmarked for Calcutta:

(b) whether as per the recommendations of the Nanda Committee, 30 per cent of the seamen are recruited from Calcutta port:

(c) if not, the actual percentage of seamen recruited from Calcutta, and

(d) the remedial measures contemplated by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT AND MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN) (a) The Shipping Corporation of India maintains job ratio of 70:30 between Bombay and Calcutta. Three other companies having headquarters at Calcutta, i.e. Ratnakar Shipping Co.; India Steamship Ltd. and Surrendra Overseas Ltd. take 100% of their crew from Calcutta roster

(b) The Nanda Committee did not recommend that 30 per cent of seamen, recruited by Indian Shipping companies should be from Calcutta

(c) As on 1.1.1990, actual percentage of seamen recruited from Calcutta comes to 22 per cent on the basis of total number of jobs available

(d) To regulate the employment opportunities for the seamen in general roster at Calcutta, the Director General of Shipping has issued the following orders:—

(i) For all categories of seamen, the company roster to be increased to 185% of jobs.

(ii) In all called musters, the selection will be in the ratio of 75:25 basis for company roster and general roster, respectively.

(iii) In some of the categories in company rosters, the strength is more than 225%. In such categories, the selection will be confined to the company roster seamen.

(iv) If the 75:25 ratio is deviated from in any selection for any reason, i.e., absence of seamen required, rejection on medical or other grounds etc., the requisite percentage will be made up in subsequent selection to maintain the ratio fo 75:25

Allotment of Land to Private Schools in Chandigarh

2668. SHRIBABANRAO DHAKNE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for allotment of land for private schools pending with the Chandigarh Administration as on 31 March, 1989.

(b) since when and the reasons therefor, and

(c) whether land already allotted has been given at concessional rates?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) 17

(b) These applications were received during the period from 5/82 to 3/89. Decision could not be taken for the following reasons:—

(i) non-furnishing of necessary certifi-

cates regarding availability of funds with the school:

- (ii) application not received in proper form and with full details;
 - (iii) non-verification of school's status;
 - (vi) non-availability of adequate land at the site asked for by the school concerned; etc.
- (c) Yes, Sir.

Fake Passport and Visa Racket

2669. SHRI R.N. RAKESH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the news item captioned "Fake Passport, Visa Racket Busted" appearing in the Indian Express dated 26th February, 1990.

(b) if so, the details thereof:

(c) whether any inquiry has been made into the matter; and

(d) if so, the action taken by Government against the person found guilty?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). On 13.2.1990, one Afghan national, who had come to collect tickets from a travel agency, was detained and 5 forged passports having forged U.S. visa on them were recovered from him. A case FIR No. 420/468/471/120-B has been registered. The investigation of the case has been entrusted to the Crime Branch. Four other Afghan nationals have also been arrested.

[*Translation*]

Appointment of Education/Cultural Secretary in Indian Missions Abroad

2670. SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of appointments made in the Indian Missions abroad on the posts of education or cultural secretary/officer or equivalent posts;

(b) the number out of them from the Indian Foreign Service or Indian Administrative Service; and

(c) the number of appointments made from amongst the eminent people from cultural and academic fields, separately?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL): (a) There is a total of 6 Education posts in Indian Missions/Consulates General abroad.

(b) No Indian Foreign Service/Indian Administrative Service Officers are occupying any of the six posts.

(c) A Professor from IIT Delhi is currently occupying the post of Minister (Education) in E/1 Washington.

[*English*]

Issue of Commemorative Postal Stamp in Memory of Anathasayanam Ayyangar

2671. DR. K. KALIMUTHU: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal for issuing a Commemorative postal