

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI MORARJI DESAI) (a) Details of personnel holding senior posts and of personnel on the personal staff are given in Statement I

(b) Details of the personnel transferred after the change of Government in March 1977 are given in Statement II

(c) to (e) The contract of an officer was terminated. Another officer who was on deputation submitted his resignation and it was accepted by his parent Ministry. Enquiries about excesses during Emergency are being made by the Shah and other Commissions and in some cases by CBI. These have not yet been completed.

Statement—I

Senior Personnel

(Other than those on Personal staff)

<i>Designation of Officer</i>	<i>Number</i>
Information Adviser	One
Joint Secretary to the Prime Minister	One
<i>Officers on the Personal Staff</i>	
<i>Designation of person</i>	<i>Number</i>
Private Secretary to the Prime Minister (Deputy Secretary scale)	1
Private Secretary to the Prime Minister (Under Secretary scale)	3
Addl Private Secretary to the Prime Minister	2
Petitions Officer	1
Hindi Officer	1
Personal Assistant to the Prime Minister	3
Asst. Private Secretary to the Prime Minister (Promoted as Personal Assistant to the Prime Minister from 10-1-78)	1

Statement—II

Senior Personnel

(Other than those on Personal staff)

<i>Designation of Officer</i>	<i>Number</i>
Secretary to the Prime Minister	One
Special Secretary	One
Joint Secretary to the Prime Minister	One
Director	One
Deputy Secretary	One

Officers on the Personal Staff

<i>Designation of Officer</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
Private Secretary to the Prime Minister (Deputy Secretary scale)	One	
Addl Private Secretary to the Prime Minister	One	He was on deputation, he resigned and his resignation was accepted by his parent Ministry.
Personal Assistant to the Prime Minister	One	
Asst. Private Secretary to the Prime Minister	One	
Hindi Stenographer	One	

समाचारपत्रों को ऋण

2939 श्री नटवर लाल बी० परमार :

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माधुर :

श्री नरेन्द्र सिंह :

क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) इंडियन एण्ड ईस्टर्न न्यूजपेपर सोसाइटी ने समाचारपत्रों को ऋण देने का माग की है ,

(ख) क्या सभाचारपत्र प्रतिष्ठानो को 'उद्योग' घोषित कराने की भी मांग की गई है, और

(ग) इस पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है तथा इस सबब में क्या निर्णय किया गया है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्री लाल कृष्ण शर्मा) : (क) और (ख) जी, हाँ।

(ग) मामला अन्य सम्बन्धित विभागों के परामर्श से विचागधीन है।

Review of Shipping Trade

2940 SHRI MOHINDER SINGH SHYAN WALA Will the Minister OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state

(a) whether a high level review of shipping trade of the country has been taken recently,

(b) if so, the nature of shortcomings that have come to light during the review, and

(c) the steps being taken to improve the shipping industry in the light of review?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI CHAND RAM) (a) to (c) Yes Sir Issues like depression in freight market and need for financial assistance to shipping industry came up for discussion at the meeting Government have already taken steps to assist the shipping industry by granting maintenance loans, concessional rate loans for acquisition of ships, and making adjustment where necessary in payment of dues on loans already sanctioned

Transport facilities in Tripura

2941 SHRI DINEN BHATTA CHARYA.

SHRI ROBIN SEN.

Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state

(a) whether Government are aware that due to inadequate transport facilities there is no industrial development in Tripura, and

(b) if so steps Government propose to develop transport system there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI CHAND RAM) (a) No such representation has been received in Ministry of Shipping and Transport.

(b) At the time of merger of Tripura with the Union of India, there were only 80 Kms of roads in that State This is expected to increase to 4275 Kms by the end of March, 1978 State Government have indicated that during the next Plan period (1978-83) emphasis is proposed to be laid on improvement of rural roads and converting kachha roads into all-weather roads In addition two roads schemes (i.e. Aizwal-Vangnum-Kumarghat and Tilthai Damcherra-Tupsibari) which run in Tripura and Mizoram) are being implemented as part of NEC Plan

The Tripura State Road Transport Corporation is expected to have 90 buses and 69 trucks by the end of the current financial year In the next plan period (1978-83), it is proposed to augment the fleet of this Corporation and improve its performance

At present, there is one Railway line in Tripura connecting Dharamnagar sub-division with Assam It is proposed to set up a Committee to take up a study of the social cost