

**Marmagosa Port**\*309. **Shri Sequindra:****Shri A. B. Vajpayee:**

Will the Minister of Transport and Shipping be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning the establishment of a fast mineral ore loading facility at Marmagosa port;

(b) if so, the financial, technical and other details of this facility; and

(c) the salient features of other development proposals?

The Minister for Transport and Shipping (Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao): (a) Yes, Sir, proposals are under consideration.

(b) The estimated cost of the facility is Rs. 24.20 crores. This will comprise (i) an iron ore berth capable of handling vessels upto 60,000 DWT initially and 100,000 DWT ultimately, (ii) a mechanical ore handling plant with a rated capacity of 6000 tonnes per hour and (iii) the requisite facilities for unloading rail-borne and barge-borne ore.

(c) It is also proposed to modernise the existing cargo berths, and construct a mineral oil jetty to handle 4 lakh tonnes of POL annually, at an estimated cost of Rs. 3.06 crores

**Handling of Foodgrains at Ports**\*310. **Dr. Ramen Sen:****Shri Omkar Lal Borwa:**

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the Ports in India lack bulk handling facilities of foodgrains and thousands of tons of foodgrains are lost every year; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to stop wastage of foodgrains in the Ports?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community

Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasaheb Shinde): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Food Donations to India**\*311. **Shri P. Gopalan:****Shri E. K. Nayanar:****Shri Umanath:****Shri Hukam Chand****Kachwal:****Shri Bharat Singh Chauhan:****Shri Ram Singh Ayarwal:****Shri M. R. Krishna:****Shri D. N. Patodia:****Shri R. Barua:****Shri C. C. Desai:****Shri Kanwar Lal Gupta:****Shri Baburao Patel:**

Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of Voluntary Organisations from abroad are participating in the programme of food donation to India;

(b) if so, the names of those organisations and the quantity of food and food products donated by them during the years 1964-65, 1965-66 and 1966-67 with value thereof,

(c) whether Government approached these organisations for help;

(d) whether any foreign exchange was spent on these and if so, what; and

(e) how these donations have been utilised?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Food, Agriculture, Community Development and Cooperation (Shri Annasaheb Shinde): (a) It is a fact that a number of voluntary organisations have donated foodstuffs etc., for relief of scarcity in India.

(b) A statement showing details of food donations received by the Government of India from various voluntary and non-official organisations from abroad for relief of distress resulting from the drought of the years, 1965-66 and 1966-67 is laid on