

constitute film publicity material screening committees in all the film production centres, it has been decided to give this experiment sometime to succeed, pending which it has been proposed to pursue the matter with the film industry.

Fourth Pay Commission Pension benefits to retired employees of Port Trusts

1612. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the pension benefits as recommended by Fourth Pay Commission have not been implemented in the case of the retired employees of Major Port Trusts till date;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government propose to implement these on retrospective basis ?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN) : (a) and (b) The recommendations of the 4th Pay Commission are applicable only to Government Employees and the employees of Major Port Trusts are not Government employees.

1. Chairman
(1 post)

2. Deputy Chairman,
Port Trusts.
(4 posts)

3. Deputy Chairman,
Dock Labour Board
(1 post)

4. Heads of Departments
(14 posts)

(c) A proposal to liberalise the pension and retirement benefits of the employees of the Major Port Trusts and Dock Labour Boards on the basis of the Central Government's decision on the recommendations of the Fourth Pay Commission in this regard is under consideration of Government. The date of giving effect to the benefits will also be decided along with the decision on the aforesaid proposal.

Vacancies in Port Trusts and Dock Labour Boards

1613. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that many posts of Chairman, Deputy Chairman, Heads of Departments of Major Port Trusts and Dock Labour Boards are lying vacant; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what steps Government are taking to fill up the vacancies ?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN) : (a) and (b) As on date, the vacancy position of Chairman, Deputy Chairman, and Heads of Departments in various Port Trusts and Dock Labour Boards is as indicated below :

Jawahar Lal Nehru Port Trust

Visakhapatnam, Paradip, Kandla and
Marmugao Port Trusts.

Calcutta Dock Labour Board

4 in Bombay, 2 each in Kandla and Cochin and 1 each in Calcutta, Paradip, Tuticorin, Visakhapatnam, Madras and New Mangalore Port Trusts.