

Murmugoa Port in Goa

1875. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that Murmugoa Port in Goa which had made progress for several years, has been neglected and thereby the ship operation is slow; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to develop the Port by removing the difficulties encountered by it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) It is incorrect to say that Mormugao Port has been neglected. Investments are being made every year for development of the Port. During the 7th Five Year Plan an outlay of Rs. 25.30 crores has been provided out of which the outlay for new schemes is Rs. 30.73 crores. This includes provision of Tugs, Additional Barge Unloading Jetty, Mobile cranes etc.

Price control order for the drugs under Category I

1876. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question 1974 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 25th November, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to Measures 1986 which had the approval of the Cabinet specifically states that drugs required for National Health Programme will be covered under category I of Drugs Price Control Order;

(b) if so, whether the approval had been obtained from Cabinet to exclude certain National Health Programme's drugs under category I

(c) if so, since when the approval was obtained; and

(d) if not, under what authority the programmes were excluded and drugs not recommended?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) to (d) Cabinet has approved the Measures or Rationalisation Quality Control and Growth of Drugs and Pharmaceutical Industry in India. According to that, category I of the Drug Prices Control Order will consist of drugs required for National Health Programmes. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has identified 11 National Health Programmes out of which drugs required for 8 National Health Programmes were recommended for inclusion in category I.

Powerful explosives found on railway track near Bagladams

1877. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appeared in the "Telegraph" dated 28th March, 1988 wherein it has been stated that two steel boxes containing powerful explosives discovered on railway track near Bagladams Railway Station near Hoshangabad;

(b) if so, whether any inquiry has since been made;

(c) whether any arrest has been made; and

(d) what preventive measures taken to avoid such recurrence by Government in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Yes, Sir.