

Bran Drain in Merchant Navy

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Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the brain drain has upset the manpower planning for the Merchant Navy ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether it is also a fact that migration of trained manpower has been a regular feature of the naval staffing pattern; and

(d) if so, what steps Government have taken to stop this brain drain ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI H. M. TRIVEDI) : (a) The Indian Shipping Companies for some time past have been experiencing shortage of certificated merchant navy officers, especially in the junior ranks, for manning their merchant fleet on account of the drift of these officers to foreign flag vessels.

(b) As on 1-4-75 there was a shortage of 938 navigating officers and 670 engineering officers.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) To remedy the situation, Government have decided to impose restrictions on Deck Apprentices and junior engineers by means of a bond, committing them to a minimum period of 5 years service with the Indian Shipping Companies after getting their Certificate of Competency. Government has also initiated other steps to augment the numbers trained in the training institutions to meet the immediate shortage.

D.T.C. Bus Service between Lampur Border to Central Secretariat, New Delhi

*232. SHRI N. K. BHATT : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is only one trip D.T.C. bus being provided bet-

ween Narela and Central Secretariat and that the Government employees have to stand for hours daily in reaching the place of their duty; and

(b) whether there is a proposal under Government's consideration to provide additional trip from Lampur border to Central Secretariat and if not, what remedial measures are proposed to be taken to connect Bankner, Lampur, Gogha, Sanoth villages with New Delhi ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) :

(a) and (b) A statement giving the information required is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement

(a) One trip is operated by DTC between Narela and Central Secretariat. It is, however, not a fact that Government employees have to wait for very long time in reaching the places of their duty. The Corporation is operating regular services from Narela to Azadpur on route No. 113 and from Narela to Railway Station via Azadpur on route No. 133. Convenient change over facilities are available at Azadpur for Central Secretariat and other Government office complexes hereby.

(b) There is no proposal to provide any additional trip from Lampur Border to Central Secretariat. The Lampur area is connected to railway station by services of route No. 131 which provide change over facilities for going to Central Secretariat at Azadpur and Morigate terminals. Similarly, village Bankner is connected to Railway Station via Azadpur by the services of route No. 109 while Gogha and Sanoth villages are linked to Railway Station by route No. 136 running via Azadpur. By and large the services on the routes, mentioned above, are considered to be adequate for the requirements of the residents of the villages under reference.

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*233. SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA :
 SHRI SANAT KUMAR RAHA :
 SHRI BHOLA PRASAD :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state: