

British Shipbuilding Consultants, M/s. A & P Appledore Ltd., London, to study, the existing facilities and organisation available at this Shipyard with a view to determine the extent of technical assistance required to build ocean going vessels upto 28,000 DWT. M/s. Appletlore visited GRW in May, 1975 and have since submitted a preliminary factual report pointing out the deficiencies in organisation and facilities. The report is under examination. Consultants have now been requested to consider their terms of association with GRW with a view to overcoming those deficiencies and on offer to that effect is awaited from them.

(4) *New Shipyards.*—M/s. A 4 P Appledore Ltd. London, was one of the three foreign consultants engaged by Government in July, 1974 to prepare Preliminary Project Reports on four sites recommended by a Tehno-Economic Working Group for getting up two new Shipyards during the Fifth Plan. The Preliminary Project Reports have been received and are under examination.

#### **Good will Missions to Middle East Countries**

798. SHRI SYED AHMAD HASHMI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether Government propose to send delegations consisting of Members of Parliament to Middle East countries on good will visits or counteracting the anti-India propaganda by Pakistan in those countries?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI BIPINPAL DAS): Government continue to take suitable steps to counter adverse propaganda against India by interested parties in West Asia. At present, there is no proposal to send a Parliamentary Delegation for this purpose.

#### **Visit by President Nyerere**

799. SHRI S. KUMARAN:

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BURMAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that President Nyerere of Tanzania recently visited India; and

(b) if so, what are the subjects which were discussed with him and with what results?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI BIPINPAL DAS): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) President Julius K. Nyerere paid a State visit to India from 15th to 21st January, 1976 in response to a long standing invitation. During the visit he received the Jawaharlal Nehru Award for International Understanding for the year 1973.

President Nyerere and our Prime Minister held wideranging discussions including review of recent international developments and bilateral relations between India and Tanzania since President Nyerere's last visit to India in January, 1971. These discussions held in a warm and friendly atmosphere, confirmed a close identity of views reflecting the deep understanding which exists between the two countries. The question of liberation of countries in Southern Africa and struggle against apartheid and racism and question of Angola figured prominently in their talks.

The text of the Joint Communique issued at the end of the visit has been placed in the Library of the Parliament. The visit has further strengthened the relations between our two countries.