

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE/

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE): (a) ;and
(b) The relevant information is being
collected and will be placed on the Table of
the Sabha.

DAMAGE TO CROPS IN WEST BENGAL

513. SHRI SASANKASEKHAR
SANYAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE/

कृषि मंत्री

be pleased to state the total loss of food crops
and cash crops, caused by flood and rains in
West Bengal during this year?

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(SHRI ANNASAHEB SHINDE): Of the total
kharif crop area of 9.8 million acres, as much
as 2.52 million acres were submerged and, of
this, standing crops in 1.65 million acres were
completely destroyed and crops in 0.87 million
acres were partially damaged. The cms paddy
crop and the jute crop in the flood-affected
areas have been almost completely lost. The
total value of the kharif crops lost is estimated
at about Rs. 114 crores, of which paddy alone
•accounts for Rs. 92 crores.

**HOUSE-BUILDING ADVANCE TO GOVERN-
MENT OFFICIALS IN DELHI WHO ARE IN
OCCUPATION OF GOVERNMENT ACCOM-
MODATION**

514. SHRI A. P. CHATTERJEE:
SHRI SALIL KUMAR GAN-GULI:

Will the Minister of WORKS AND
HOUSING/

निर्माण और आवास मंत्री

be pleased to state the total number of
Government officials in Delhi who have
taken loan from Government for

constructing their own houses and are still in
occupation of Government accommodation?

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MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING/

निर्माण और आवास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): The requisite
information is being collected and will be
placed on the Table of the House.

SHIPPING TARIFFS ON EXPORT CARGOS

515. SHRI LOKANATH MISRA: SHRI
CHANDRAMOULI

JAGARLAMUDI: SHRI SUNDAR
MANI PATEL: SHRI K. C. PANDA:
SHRI K. L. N. PRASAD:

Will the Minister of PARLIA-
MENTARY AFFAIRS AND
SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT/

संसदीय कार्य तथा नौवहन और परिवहन मंत्री

be pleased to state:

(a) whether at a recent Indo-UK
Conference a currency surcharge on freight
has been imposed;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the extent to which the Indian
shipping industris is likely to be hit
consequently;

(d) whether it is also a fact that at the
said Conference India made a proposal that
shipping tariffs on export cargos should be
payable in Indian currency; and if so, the
reaction of the Conference in this regard; and

(e) whether it is also a fact that India
protested against the decision of the
Conference to impose currency adjustment
levy on shipments from U.K. and continental
parts and also against the imposition of a
similar levy on her exports?