

S.T.C. ENTRY INTO NEW FIELDS OF  
EXPORT

\*500. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA:  
SHRI K SUNDARAM:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Trading Corporation has taken a decision to enter into new fields of exports this year;

(b) if so, what are the new fields where it proposes to enter;

(c) whether Government have been consulted by State Trading Corporation before taking such a decision; and

(d) the extent to which the private trade is likely to be affected by such an entry?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI DINESH SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State Trading Corporation is constantly endeavouring to expand foreign trade and build up new lines of export to the various markets, which are not moving on their own, as well as to further the export of traditional items to non-traditional markets.

(c) Government approval is obtained wherever required.

(d) It will depend upon the extent to which private trade is unable to compete. However the effort of S.T.C. has been to promote and not restrict trade unless it was likely to introduce unhealthy trends.

द्वितीय श्रेणी का समाप्त किया जाना

\*501. श्रीमती सरला भदौरिया :  
क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या भारतीय रेलवे में द्वितीय श्रेणी को समाप्त करने का कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है ; और

(ख) यदि हा तो प्रस्ताव को कब तक कार्यान्वित किया जायेगा ?

†[ABOLITION OF SECOND CLASS

\*501. SHRIMATI SARLA BHADURIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal of abolishing second class in the Indian Railways is under the consideration of Government; and

(b) if so, when the proposal will be implemented?]

रेल मंत्री (श्री सी० एम० पुनाचा) :

(क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) सवाल नहीं उठता ।

†[THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.]

KATHUA-UDHAMPORE RAIL LINK

\*502. SHRI GULAM NABI UNTOO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal to link Kathua with Udhampore by Rail is under Government's consideration; and

(b) if so, the reasons for which the survey up to Jammu only has been proposed in the Railway Budget for 1967-68?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. M. POONACHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

OVERTIME PAYMENT ON RAILWAYS

\*503. SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

†[ ] English translation.