

IRON-ORE EXPORTS FROM KARWAR AND  
BELIKERI

\*553. SHRI C. M. POONACHA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantity of iron-ore exported from Karwar and Belikeri Ports during the last 3 years;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation has programmes on hand to step-up export through these ports up to one million tonnes per annum;

(c) whether it is true that the trucks, that carry iron-ore to Karwar and Belikeri come empty on their return trips thereby causing the transport cost of iron-ore to be very high;

(d) whether Government of India have under their consideration proposals to import bulk commodities through these ports;

(e) whether Mysore State Government have sent up some specific proposals in this connection; and

(f) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir.

(d) to (f) The Minister of Transport has already explained the position in his reply to Starred Question No. 239 answered on 24th February, 1964.

STATEMENT

*Iron ore exported from Karwar and Belikeri  
(in lakh tonnes)*

1961-62 1962-63 1963-64

Karwar . . . . . 2.19 2.62 2.73

Belikeri . . . . . 160 1.41 1.79

UNIFORM CHANNEL OF PROMOTION FOR SMs  
AND ASM's

\*554. SHRI A. B. VAJPAYEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in compliance with the directives of the Supreme Court given on 5th November, 1959 in the decision of the writ-petition No. 126/ 58 of 9th September, 1959, there is any proposal with the Railway Board to form a uniform channel of promotion for the Station Masters and Assistant Station Masters on all Indian Railways; and

(b) if so, when it is likely to be done?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM SUBHAG SINGH): (a) The Supreme Court did not give any such directive.

(b) Does not arise.

F[AST PASSENGER TRAIN BETWEEN  
JABALPUR AND BINA

\*555. SHRI G. K. KAPOOR: Will the

जबलपुर और बीना के मध्य तेज चलने वाली  
सवारी गाड़ी

\*५५५. श्री गिरिराज किशोर कपूर :  
क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे  
कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि जबलपुर से  
बीना पहुंचने में १३ घंटे का समय लगता  
है ;

(ख) क्या सरकार जबलपुर से बीना  
तक कोई तेज चलने वाली सवारी गाड़ी  
चलाने का विचार कर रही है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो कब तक और यदि  
नहीं, तो उसका क्या कारण है ?

Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

+ [ ] English translation.