

OIL DRILLING EQUIPMENT FROM RUSSIA

92. MOULANA M. FARUQI: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND FUEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the accessory oil drilling equipment has been received in India in pursuance of the agreement signed in May, 1957 between India and Russia; and

(b) if so, when and at what cost?

THE MINISTER OF MINES AND OIL (SHRI K. D. MALAVIYA): (a) and (b). The equipment is being continuously received in lots and the value cannot be ascertained from day to day. The value of items already received complete with shipping documents amounts to Rs. 71,35,095; further large quantities have just arrived at Bombay in two ships; their value is not yet known.

HIGHER TECHNOLOGICAL INSTITUTE AT MADRAS

93. MOULANA M. FARUQI: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH be pleased to state:

(a) the cost of the scheme to establish a Higher Technological Institute at Madras; and

(b) the extent to which the West German Government will assist in this connection?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH (MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD): (a) and (b). The details have not yet been worked out. A provision of Rs. 200 lakhs has been made for the Institute in the Second Five Year Plan.

IRON ORE DEPOSITS IN NORTH-EAST OF JAISALMER

94. MOULANA M. FARUQI: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND FUEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large tract of 'iron ore deposits exists in the north-east of Jaisalmer; and

(b) if so, what is the extent to which this ore is supposed to be embedded there?

THE MINISTER OF MINES AND OIL (SHRI K. D. MALAVIYA): (a) The aeromagnetic survey recently carried out in Jaisalmer region indicated such a possibility.

(b) More work will have to be done before any definite information can be given.

लक्कादीव, मिनिंकोय और अमीनदिवि द्वीपसमूह के लिये जहाज सेवा

६५ श्रीमती सावित्री निगम : क्या गृह-कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या लक्कादीव, मिनिंकोय और अमीनदिवि द्वीपसमूह के लिये नियमित जहाज सेवा प्रारम्भ हो गई है; और

(ख) यदि हा, तो यह सेवा कितनी बार उपलब्ध होती है ?

†[STEAMER SERVICE TO LACCADIVE, MINICOT AND AMINDIVI ISLANDS

95. SHRIMATI SAVITRY DEVI NIGAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether regular steamer service to Laccadive, Minicoy and Amindivi Islands has been started; and

(b) if so, what is the frequency of the service?]

गृह-कार्य उपमंत्री (श्रीमती वायलेट आल्वा) : (क) और (ख) परीक्षण के लिये शीघ्र ही एक जहाज सेवा प्रारम्भ करने का विचार है। अभी यह निश्चित नहीं हुआ है कि यह सेवा कितनी बार उपलब्ध होगी।

†[]English translation.