INVITATION TO AMERICAN EXPERTS TO REPORT ON THE INCREASE OF PORT CAPACITIES IN INDIA

- SHRI SURENDRA MOHAN GHOSE: Will the Minister for TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is proposed to invite American experts to examine and report to Government as to how the capacity of the ports in India can be increased to handle goods efficiently and economically; and
- (b) if so, when it is proposed to do so and when they are likely to visit India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI HUMA-YUN KABIR): (a) No, Sir;

(b) Does not arise.

SURVEY OF DIVA-DASGAON RAILWAY LINE

- *223. DR. P. V. KANE: Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the survey of the Diva-Dasgaon Railway line has been completed;
- (b) if so, whether the construction work on this line has since commenced; and
- (c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, when the survey would be completed and the construction work will commence?

DEPUTY MINISTER RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

'(b) and (c). This project has not been included in 842 miles of new construction approved by the Planning Commission during the Second Five Year Plan Period.

to Questions

SURVEY OF CHINGLEPUT AND SALEM RAILWAY LINE

- *224. SHRI N. RAMAKRISHNA IYER: Will the Minister for RAILWAYS be pleased to
- (a) what is the progress so far made in the survey of the railway line from Chingleput to Salem on the Southern Railway; and
- (b) by what time the survey is likely to be completed?

DEPUTY MINISTER RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAH NAWAZ KHAN): (a) and (b). There is no proposal for a direct connection between Chingleput and Salem. However, a traffic survey for Chingleput-Chinnasalem railway line has been sanctioned. The survey is well in progress and is likely to be completed towards the end of November '57.

ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

- *225. MOULANA M. FARUQI: Will the Minister for HEALTH be pleased to state:
- (a) what are the different courses proposed to be started in each of the colleges to be opened in the All India Institute of Medical Sciences; and
- (b) what is the proposed capacity for admission to each of these courses?

THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (SHRI D. P. KARMARKAR): (a) and (b). A statement showing the courses started in the Medical College and proposed to be started when the other colleges are opened and the capacity for admission to each course is laid on the Table of the Sabha.