

State Bank of India

*256. **Shri Bishwanath Roy:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the volume of deposits with the State Bank of India increased after nationalisation of the Imperial Bank of India; and

(b) if so, whether the progress of deposits was maintained last year also?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri B. E. Bhagat): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The deposits continued to rise during the year 1957 also.

Neyveli Fertiliser Plant

*258. **Shri T. B. Vittal Rao:** Will the Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 86 on the 13th November, 1957 and state:

(a) whether the project scheme approved by the Neyveli Lignite Corporation for the Fertiliser Plant has since been sanctioned by Government;

(b) if so, whether orders for the supply of plant and machinery have been placed; and

(c) the value of the same?

The Minister of Steel, Mines and Fuel (Sardar Swaran Singh): (a) Yes, subject to adequate credit facilities being available in respect of the foreign exchange requirements of the plant.

(b) The draft tender specifications for the plant and machinery are being finalised and the possibility of obtaining foreign credit is being explored. Orders for the supply of plant and machinery can be placed only after these are completed.

(c) Does not arise.

Committee on Customs Procedure and Organisations

*262. **Shri Jhanjhunwala:** Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Committee on cus-

oms procedures and organisations has submitted any interim report to Government; and

(b) if so, what are its recommendations?

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri B. E. Bhagat): (a) The Committee has not submitted any interim report. It has, however, suggested a few reforms which need not await the report.

(b) Does not arise.

Report of the Official Language Commission

*263. **Sardar Iqbal Singh:** Will the Minister of Home Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the translation of the report of the Official Language Commission into certain regional languages has been completed; and

(b) if so, when will it be published in the regional languages?

The Minister of Home Affairs (Pandit G. B. Pant): (a) The Hindi translation has been completed. The work of translation into other languages has been entrusted to different State Governments and is still in progress.

(b) The Hindi translation is under print, and may be published in about two months' time. The printing and publication of the report in other languages will be done as soon as possible after the work of translation has been completed.

H.T. 2 Aircrafts

*268. **Shri Gajendra Prasad Sinha:** Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state whether any success has been reported in the sale of H.T. 2 aircraft in south-east Asian countries?

The Deputy Minister of Defence (Sardar Majithia): Not so far, Sir.