The Minister of Irrigation and Power (Dr. K. L. Rao): (a) The shore erosion problem has prevailed for some years along the Danushkodi village. The Government of Madras have not, however, reported about fresh danger of sea erosion at Danushkodi.

(b) and (c). Anti-sea erosion schemes, that may be required have to be formulated and executed by the State Government. These schemes are however, eligible for Central loan assistance under the Flood Control Programme.

Various protective measures have been undertaken by the State Government from time to time. In 1964, Dr. G. M. Watts, an American Expert on Beach Erosion, whose services were obtained by the Government of India, studied the sea erosion problem near the Danushkodi village, the protective works already undertaken and further measures to be taken. The State Government have proposed to collect necessary data relating to winds, storms, tides, waves, shoreline changes, off shore depth changes etc. etc., on the lines indicated by Dr. Watts for the formulation of further suitable works around anti-sea erosion Rameswaram.

Reorganisations of Office of Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

7744. Shri A. K. Kisku: Shri P. R. Thakur:

Will the Minister of Social Welfare be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that to eradicate discrimination in employment for the disadvantaged groups, there are two separate federal organisations in the U.S.A. namely the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity established in 1961 and the newly created Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under the 1964 Civil Rights Act, the former carrying out the Government Programme of non-discrimination in Government employment and in employment of Govt. Contractors and having wide investigatory powers and the latter having statutory jurisdiction over a wider class of employers, including private employers, employment agencies and labour unions:

(b) whether in the current scheme of re-organisation of the Office of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, Government have considered the feasibility of adopting suitable features of organisation, functions, powers and effectiveness of the two aforesaid organisations as well as of the Fair Employment Practices Commissions functioning in the various States of the U.S.A.

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether a special comparative study would be made before starting another experiment with a new set-up of the Commissioner's Office?

The Minister of State in the Department of Social Welfare (Shrimati Phulrenu Guha): (a) Government have not made a special study of the methods adopted in the U.S.A.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

(d) Government do not experiment in such matters.

Complaints received by Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

7745. Shri A. K. Kisku: Shri P. R. Thakur:

Will the Minister of Social Welfare be pleased to state:

(a) whether a similar system as followed by the Special Fair Employment Practices Commissioner functioning in U.S.A. is proposed to be adopted for dealing with the complaints received by the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor and the alternatives proposed in this regard? SRAVANA 12, 1889 (SAKA)

The Minister of State in the Department of Social Welfare (Shrimati Phulrenu Guha): (a) and (b). No study has been made of the systems mentioned. The Constitution itself lays down the functions of the Commissioner. The manner in which complaints should be dealt with has been left to the discretion of the Commissioner.

Ex-cade posts in Social Welfare Department

7746. Shri Ram Charan: Will the Minister of Social Welfare be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of ex-cadre posts of Class I, II and III in his Department, Attached and Subordinate Offices which have been sanctioned and filled up during the last five years upto the 31st March, 1967;

(b) the total number of such excadre posts filled up through direct recruitment and through Employment Exchanges;

(c) the total number of such excadre posts filled up by taking officers on deputation;

(d) the total number of such excadre posts, filled up through departmental promotions on the basis of seniority and fitness; and

(e) the total number of such excadre posts filled up from amongst the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidates?

The Minister of State in the Department of Social Welfare (Shrimati Phulrenu Guha): (a) Seventy.

(b) Forty two. (Forty through Employment Exchange and two through Union Public Service Commission.)

(c) NiL

(d) Three.

Insertion of Loop as money making device

7747. Shri R. R. Singh Deo: Will the Minister of Health and Family Planning be pleased to state: (a) whether Government have received any report about the detection of many cases where some women have made insertion of loop as Money Making Device; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government to prevent such fraudulent activity?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Health and Family Planning (Shri B. S. Murthy): (a) No such report has been received by the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

Gold seized at Agra Cantonment Railway Station

7748. Shri R. R. Singh Deo: Shri Raghuvir Singh Shastri: Shri Hukam Chand Kachwai: Shri Shri Chand Goel: Shri Jagannath Rao Joshi:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that contraband gold worth Rs. 30,000 was seized by the Central Excise Department from a passenger from Bombay at Agra Cantonment Railway Station on the 16th July, 1967;

(b) whether Government has investigated to find out whether the said passenger is a member of the International gold smugglers gang active in the whole country;

(c) whether the seized gold bore any foreign marking; and

(d) the steps Government are taking to discourage gold smuggling in the country and to disband the said international gang of gold smugglers?

The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance (Shri Morarji Desai); (a) to (d). On 16th July, 1967 the Central Excise officers apprehended a passenger when he alighted from the Pathankot Express from Bombay at