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## Supply of Inferior quality Liquors to Canteen Stores Department and Army Service corps Units

5867. SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether some approved distilleries have been supplying inferior quality rum and other liquors both to C.S.D. and A.S.C. units and if so, the names of such Distilleries and the quality of such liquors supplied by them to C. S. D. and A.S.C. separately;

(b) whether any members of the lnspecting Staff have been found conniving witk the supply thereof; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) No inferior quality rum has been supplied to A.S.C. by any approved distillery. Only one batch of rum supplied to CSD (1) by one party was found to be substandard. The batch comprised 36,400 dozen bottles.

(b) No such instance has come to our notice.

(c) The matters is under investigation by the CSD (1). Samples of the rum have been sent for analysis and further action will be taken in the light of lhe analysis report. Meanwhile, this batch of rum has been withdrawn from sale. No payment has been made for these stocks.

## Raids in Andhra Pradesh by Income-tax Authorities

5868. SHRI Y. ESWARA REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Officers of Income-tax Department have made surprise raids recently on certain houses in Visakhatnam District, Andhra Pradesh and took possession of cash worth several lakhs of rupces, account books and bonds:

(b) if so, a brief account of the faids and the material seized; and (c) the follow-up action taken in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI K. R. GANESH): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Searches were conducted in certain places in Visakhapatnam district of Andhra Pradesh. Cash amounting to Rs, 1,48,497/- and gold and jewellery of the value of Rs. 1 lakh were seized. Duplicate account books were found and seized in certain cases. Investments amounting to several lakhs were also noticed, some of which might be unaccounted.

(c) The seized material is under scrutiny.

## Efforts mude to put Aeroderome at Cuddapah (Andhra Pradesh) to Commercial Use

5869. SHRIY. ESWARA REDDY: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether essential equipment from the Aerodrome at Cuddapah, Andhra Pradesh, is being gradually removed with an intention to abandon it for ever;

(b) whether any efforts had been made . before to put it to commercial use; and

(c) if so, the result therof?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN SINGH): (a) to (c). Since traffic surveys by Indian Airlines revealed a poor traffic potential in the Cuddapah region, and air traffic control and other facilities as the aerodrome were not being utillised, they were withdrawn by the Director General of Civil Aviation with effect from 1-7-67.

## Proposal to Link Cuddaph Aerodrome with Hyderabad and Tirapathi

5870, SHRI Y. ESWARA REDDY: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of Government to

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