transfer liability;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POT-DUKHE): (a) to (d) Central Government Civilian employees having All India Transfer Liability are entitled to Special (Duty) Allowance on their posting in the North-Eastern Region since November, 1983. The entire scheme of the grant of Special (Duty) Allowance is, however, under review.

Development of Beypore and Azhikkal Ports in Kerala

4069. SHRI T. J. ANJALOSE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposal from the Government of Kerala for inclusion of the development of the Beypore and Azhikkal ports under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes for the development of the minor ports;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of the proposals are as under:

Beypore — Stage I Rs. 1500 lakhs Port — Stage II Rs. 5750 " Total : Rs. 7250 lakhs

Azhikkal – Stage I Rs. 1400 lakhs

Port - Stage II Rs. 4000 "

Total: Rs. 5400 lakhs

(c) In view of non-finalization of the 8th Five Year Plan, quantum of Central loan assistance (if any) for development of minor/intermediate ports in States is not yet known.

Bank Note Press in Karnataka

4070. SHRI RAMCHANDRA VEERAPPA : Will the minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a Bank Note Press in Karnataka;

(b) if so, whether the land for the project has been acquired;

(c) the total investment involved in the project; and

(d) the latest position of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. The project is being implemented by Reserve Bank of India.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The total investment estimated at the time of project approval was Rs.417 crores excluding customs duty.

(d) Civil construction work has already started. Work relating to placement of orders for supply of equipment is under process. The first phase of the project is likely to be completed by June, 1993 and the entire project by 1994-95.

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