

(ख) ऐसी कोई मामला जानकारी में नहीं आया ।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उत्तरा ।

#### Foreign Tours by Ministers

6422. SHRIMATI PRAMILA DANDAVATE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the wives of Ministers, State Ministers and Deputy Ministers have been permitted to accompany their husbands on the official tours abroad;

(b) whether this facility is also allowed to them for travel by air; and

(c) if not, the names and numbers of tours carried out by the Ministers, State Ministers and Deputy Ministers since January, 1980 abroad?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI MAGANBHAI BAROT): (a) and (b) The rules do not provide for Ministers of any rank taking along with them their wives at Government expense while going on official tours abroad. However, permission to do so could be given in specific cases. Information regarding the latter type of cases is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

(c) The required information for the period 1st January, 1980 to 31st July, 1980 is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

#### Chinese offer of Machinery

6423. SHRI R. L. BHATIA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether China has offered a large number of machinery items of various types for export to India soon; and

(b) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### English Teleprinters in ITDC Hotels in the Capital

6424. SHRI H. N. NANJE

GOWDA:

SHRI K. LAKKAPPA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in ITDC hotels in the capital no English teleprinters have been installed for the benefit of non-Hindi knowing people;

(b) if so, reasons therefor; and

(c) whether it is proposed to instal English teleprinters for the benefit of non-Hindi knowing people and if so, when, and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI CHANDU-LAL CHANDRAKAR): (a) and (b) No, Sir. ITDC have provided English teleprinters in two hotels and Hindi teleprinter in one hotel out of 6 hotels presently run by the Corporation in Delhi.

(c) No, Sir. For reasons of economy.

#### Calcutta Customs House

6425. SHRI MUKUNDA MANDAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to lay a statement showing:

(a) whether Government are aware of the cases of corruption and irregularities in Calcutta Customs House;

(b) if so, full details thereof during the last three years; and

(c) what action has so far been taken by Government in regard thereto?