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Pension to Freedom Fighters

1789. SHRI PALAI K.M. MATHEW: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to relax the conditions for sanctioning of pension and other amenities to freedom fighters; and
 - (b) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) There is no proposal with the Government to relax the present eligibility criteria for sanctioning pension and other related facilities to freedom fighters.

(b) Does not arise.

Report Entitled "Airline in Asylum Seekers' Racket"

1790. SHRI DHARMESH PRASAD VARMA:

SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:

SHRI M.V. CHAN-DRASHEKARA MUR-THY:

SHRIMADAN LAL KHURANA: SHRI KAMAL NATH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the press report entitled "Airline in asylum-seekers' racket" appearing in the Hindustan Times" dated February 7, 1990;
- (b) if so, whether an enquiry has been made in the matter; and
 - (c) if so, the findings of the enquiry and

the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) Yes, please.

(b) and (c). Apart from news report, no such information has come to the notice of the Government. The Immigration authorities at all the International Air-Ports in India, however, do not allow entry/departure of foreigners whenever their travel documents are found to be forged.

Pineapple Processing Industry in Kerala

1791. SHRI P.C. THOMAS: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are aware of the problem faced by pineapple cultivators of Vazhakkulam in Ernakulam district in Kerala, who get very low price for pineapple during season time;
- (b) the reaction of Government to the memorandum received in this regard;
- (c) whether Government have studied the feasibility of starting a pineapple processing industry at Vazhakkulam or nearby;
 - (d) if so, the outcome thereof?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) The memorandum is under examination of the Ministry.
- (c) and (d). A project report for setting up of a pineapple processing unit at Ernakulam on priority basis has been submitted for the financial assistance from E.E.C.