

will be met by export of soluble coffee (freeze-dried) and (spray-dried) of its own manufacture and other licensed products. If for any reason, commencement of manufacture of freeze dried coffee is delayed the company shall export 60% of the value of production of freeze-dried coffee for a period of five years from the date of commencement of the manufacture of this item, irrespective of the date of commencement of such manufacture, i.e., whether the manufacture commences within the period of first five years of export obligation or subsequently.

Export obligation is extendable for a period of another five years at the discretion of the Govt.

Export obligation in this case commenced from 1.3.88 and will run upto 28th Feb., 1993.

(b) No, Sir.

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

Baitarani Gramin Bank

10903. SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Baitarani Gramin Bank, Orissa has violated promotion policy issued by the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development in consultation with Government and did not promote any employee of the bank or fill up the backlog of promotional quota; and

(b) the action taken by Government against the management for going to direct recruitment without honouring the backlog of promotional quota in violation of Government's directive ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b). No, Sir. Baitarani Gramya Bank was set up in June, 1980 and the bank, it is reported, had started the promotion process from Junior Clerks having 4 years' experience/Service to the posts of Senior Clerks during December, 1985. However, the process had to be suspended because

of Stay Order granted by the Hon'ble Orissa High Court. Some of the Junior Clerks had completed six years of service by the time the Stay Order was vacated. Therefore, the Bank decided to promote them directly to the posts of Field Supervisors as per the NABARD instructions on promotion policy. Adopting due procedure, the Baitarani Gramya Bank has promoted 39 Junior Clerks to the posts of Field Supervisors on 27-02-1988.

As regards the promotion of Field Supervisors to the posts of Officers, the first batch of Field Supervisors was recruited during January, 1984 and none of them has completed the requisite minimum five years of service to become eligible for promotion. Similarly none of the Officers has become eligible for promotion as Area/Senior Manager.

Appointment of messengers in State Bank of India

10904. SHRI NATAVARSINH SOLANKI : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some interviews in the category of messenger (Group 'D' post) were held in August, 1987 in the State Bank of India in its local Head Office, Sansad Marg, New Delhi;

(b) whether eligible and selected candidates have been awaiting for their appointment;

(c) the reasons for not giving offer of appointment to the selected candidates so far; and

(d) the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (d). State Bank of India has reported that interviews were held in the month of August, 1987 in the Local Head Office, New Delhi of the bank for some posts in the category of Messengers (Group 'D'). Some candidates out of the merit list have since been appointed. Further appointments would be made as and when any sanctioned vacancy arises.