(b) Government have put a ceiling on the export, by public sector units, of those raw materials which are required for conservation and, internal use. Only those raw materials are being exported freely which have large reserves.

Trips made to Delhi by Officials of State Bank of Indore

3304. SHRI C. JANGA REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of trips made to Delhi by the Managing Director, General Managers, Asstt. General Managers, Personnel Managers and Regional Managers of the State Bank of Indore during the last three years and the reasons for making these trips;
- (b) out of them how many trips were official and how many were unofficial;
- (c) the details with particulars of each category; and
- (d) the amount spent by the Bank on these trips by the officials and how these trips proved to be beneficial to the bank?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) (a) to (d). Information is being collected and to the extent available will be laid on the Table of the House.

Decline in trade with Syria

3305. SHRI PIYUS TIRAKY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Indo-Syrian trade in the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) whether trade with Syria has shrunk to zero from some 125 million rupees in 1981;

- (c) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Syria has offered to supply rock phosphate in exchange of tea from India;
 - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (f) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R DAS MUNSI): (a) Indo-Syrian trade during the past three years has been as under:-

Value in Rs. Crores			
Year	Export	<i>Imports</i>	Total
	from	from	
	India	Syria	
1985 86	4.13	-	4.13
1986-87	3.29		<i>3.29</i>
(Provisional)			
1987-88	5-65	0.02	5.67
(Provisional)	•		

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) No. Sir.
- (e) and (f). Do not arise.

Study group on Finances of Co-operative Banks

3306. SHRI LAKSHMAN MALLICK: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a study group was set up by the Reserve Bank of India to suggest ways in which surplus finances available with Central and State Co-operative Banks can be adequately deployed;
- (b) if so, the terms of reference of this study group; and
- (c) whether it has submitted its report and if so, the details thereof?