

(d) if so, the reasons for delay in filling them immediately with Civilian Scientists with Higher inter-se Seniority ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI R. VENKATARAMAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The instructions dated 20-4-81 have been cancelled with effect from 8-3-82 and are no longer applicable.

(c) and (d). The posts of one Joint Director and one Deputy Director at DIV HQrs and one Deputy Controller and Assistant Controller at CISV Dehu Road are lying vacant and necessary action to fill these vacancies has already been initiated.

Promotion of Small Savings in Rural Areas

10371. **SHRI HARIHAR SOREN:** Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Small Savings Schemes have also been introduced in Keonjher district of Orissa; and

(b) if so, the achievement made in this scheme in that district of Orissa so far against the target of achievement set earlier?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) Various small savings schemes have been introduced by the Central Government from time to time and these are applicable to all States and areas in the country, including Keonjher district of Orissa.

(b) District-wise targets have not been laid down by the Central Government. According to the latest available information, small savings collections in Keonjher

district during the period from April 1981 to February 1982 amounted to Rs. 5.45 lakhs (round).

Export Potentiality available in South East Asia and West Asia

10372. **SHRIMATI USHA PRAKASH CHOUDHARI:** Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made a study of the export potential available in the developing countries of South East Asia and West Asia;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is proposed to provide special incentive to encourage exports to these countries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) and (b). Indian Institute of Foreign Trade Development Authority, various Export Promotion Councils, Commodity Boards etc. under the Ministry of Commerce have sponsored Study Teams/Delegations, from time to time, to the developing countries of South East Asia and West Asia to study the export potential available in these countries. Details of some of the studies made/delegations sponsored are given in the attached statement.

(c) and (d). Incentives like Cash Compensatory Support, Import Replenishment etc. which are allowed to other destinations are also available on exports to developing countries of South East Asia and West Asia. There is, at present, no proposal to provide special incentive to encourage exports to these countries.