

in the Madurai edition of 'Indian Express' dated 4th July, 1982 captioned—"OT CURBS AFFECT CUSTOMER SERVICE"; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to ensure that customer's service in banks is not affected by the order on overtime?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY):**

(a) Government have seen the news-item.

(b) Government have not banned payment of overtime to the employees of public sector banks. The banks, however, have been instructed to ensure that the overtime is paid only where such payment is absolutely justified and necessary. Government feel that the customer service in banks can be improved only through observance of strict discipline and honest discharge of the allotted work by the employees and not through liberal grant of overtime allowance. Government have instructed the public sector banks to enforce strict discipline and punctuality through regular surprise inspections at all levels and to ensure that all the employees duly perform the allotted work during office hours. All cases of indiscipline have to be strictly dealt with.

#### **Acquisition of Light Transport Air Craft**

4304. DR. A.U. AZMI : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any final decision has been taken on the acquisition of Light Transport Aircraft (LTA);

(b) if so, the full details thereof; and

(c) has it been ensured that the aircraft selected suits Indian conditions and is a tried one?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) :**  
(a) to (c). No, Sir. All relevant considerations would be kept in view while taking the final decision.

#### **Holding of all India Service Test by Central Bank of India for promotion to Officers Cadre**

4305. SHRI CHAKRA DHARI SINGH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) when did the Central Bank of India hold All India Service Test for promotion to the Officers Cadre;

(b) whether the bank intends to hold All India Service Test in 1982 if so, upto what time, if not, the reasons thereof;

(c) whether the bank intends to hold All India Service Test exclusively for the promotion of SC/ST employees, if not, the reasons thereof;

(d) when did the bank hold State Service test in various regions;

(e) whether the bank intends to hold State Service test on the basis of seniority list as on 31st March, 1982 if not, the reasons thereof; and

(f) whether the bank intends on hold State Service test on the basis of seniority list as on 1st September, 1982 if not, the reasons thereof?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY):**

(a) The last All India Service Test for promotion to officers' cadre was held on 28-9-1980.

(b) The next All India Service Test is scheduled to be held on 28-11-1982.

(c) The bank has reported that most of the 827 SC/ST candidates recruited during 1978 and 1979 will be eligible for appearing in the test. Taking into account the pre-test training arranged by the bank for eligible SC/ST candidates and the relaxation in age and qualifying marks it is expected that sufficient SC/ST candidates may get promoted through the test to be held on 28-11-1982.

(d) State Service Tests in various Regions were held in January/February 1982 on the basis of seniority list of 1-9-1981, except in Bombay where there were no existing vacancies and in Pure where there is a court injunction against promotion in the Region. Information in respect of Chandigarh, Patna and New Delhi Regions, is not readily available.

(e) State Service Promotion Tests on the basis of seniority list of 1-3-82 have been held in Madras Region during March/April/May 1982 and the process has just been started in Ahmedabad Region. No promotions have been effected in Bhopal, Hyderabad, Calcutta and Lucknow Regions since no existing State Service vacancies remained unfilled in these Regions. No test was held in Pune Region for the reasons explained above. State Service Promotion Test in Bombay is scheduled to be held on 21-8-1982. Information in respect of Chandigarh, Patna and New Delhi Regions is not readily available.

(f) Holding of State Service tests on the basis of seniority list of 1-9-1982 will depend upon the number of vacancies for the year 1982 remaining unfilled as on 31-8-1982.

### Store-keepers in Army Ordnance Corps

4306. SHRI MANGAL RAM PREMI : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1382 on 16-7-82 regarding store-keepers in the Army Ordnance Corps and state :

(a) what are the scales of pay in force for various categories of store-keepers in the three services and the scales recommended by the Expert Classification Committee ;

(b) how much extra expenditure is involved if the recommendations are implemented ; and

(c) how much time is expected to be consumed in this process ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) The existing scales of pay of Store-keepers in the three Services are indicated in the Annexure. The recommendations of the Expert Classification Committee regarding pay scales etc. are still under examination of the Government.

(b) and (c). It is not possible to work out at this stage the extra expenditure involved and the time likely to be taken in implementing the recommendations of the Expert Classification Committee.