

the Indian Income-Tax Service Group 'A' and Indian Customs & Central Excise Service Group 'A', are being maintained in the proper form and being inspected by the Liaison Officers at regular intervals;

(b) if so, the dates on which the inspections were carried out by Liaison Officers during the last three years;

(c) if not, the reasons for not carrying out the inspection by the Liaison Officers; and

(d) the shortfall in the intake of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Officers in these two services ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

जिला बाड़मेर राजस्थान में सेना के अधीन भूमि

4230. श्री वृद्धि चन्द्र जैन : क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सेना ने वर्ष 1976 में रक्षा प्रयोजन के लिये जिला बाड़मेर के मिथाड़ी गांव के किसानों की खसरा सं० 34, 36, 51, तथा अन्य खसरो के अधीन भूमि पर कब्जा किया था;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या गांव वालों को इसके बदले में कोई मुआवजा दिया गया था और इस मद में कितनी धनराशि बकाया है; और

(ग) उन्हें मुआवजा कब तक दे दिया जायेगा ?

रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के.पी. सिंह देव) : (क) जी, हां। सेना ने मिथाड़ी खुर्द गांव के खसरा सं० 34, 76 तथा 51/2 को 1976 में और उसी गांव के किसानों के अन्य खसरो को उसके बाद 1980 में कब्जे में लिया था।

(ख) और (ग) सैन्य सम्पदा अधिकारी, जयपुर ने किराया संबंधी मुआवजे की अदायगी के लिए वित्तीय मंजूरियां जारी कर दी हैं। लेकिन अभी तक कोई भुगतान नहीं किया गया है। इस पर अविलम्ब कार्यवाही की जाएगी।

Purchase of Tobacco by S.T.C. in Andhra Pradesh

4231. SHRI SUBHASH CHANDRA BOSE ALLURI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have directed State Trading Corporation to purchase tobacco from Andhra Pradesh tobacco growers;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that State Trading Corporation did not purchase all varieties of tobacco; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P.A. SANGMA) : (a) to (c) As there is increased production of virginia tobacco during this year in Andhra Pradesh coupled with slack export demand, the Central Govt. asked the STC to purchase virginia tobacco from the growers of Andhra Pradesh with a view to mitigate their hardship. STC has purchased exportable grades and low grades of virginia tobacco.

Fixing up of few Regional Rural Banks for Self-Employed Productive Endeavours

4232. SHRI BHOGENDR JHA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state ;

(a) whether any suggestion has been received to fix up a few Regional Rural Banks only for self-employed productive endeavours particularly in backward areas totally lacking industrial culture and aptitude;

(b) if so, details thereabout; and Government reaction thereon;

(c) whether Madubani and Darbhanga Regional Rural Banks are being selected for such concentrated productive endeavours; and

(d) if so, details thereabout, if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. The Hon'ble Member himself has made such a suggestion. The lending operations of all the Regional Rural Banks are primarily directed towards supporting productive endeavours of borrowers belonging to the Weaker Sections of the Community in all Sectors of the rural economy. All Regional Rural Banks are expected to endeavour for promoting self-employment ventures, and in specific areas they could devote greater effort to specific area of activity. It is not, however, considered advisable to restrict their lending operations to any particular Sector of the rural economy in any area, as it would deprive the people undertaking economic activity in other Sectors in that area

of credit support from the Regional Rural Banks.

India's Share in Japan's Iron Ore Imports

4233. SHRI K A. RAJAN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) wheter it is a fact that Indian's share in Japan's iron ore imports has been static at about 13 per cent in the last four or five years;

(b) if so, the detials of Indians iron ore export to Japan and rate per unit and its percentage to the Japan's total iron ore import;

(c) whether it is a fact that one of the reasons for the static percentage of India's share is the in-adequate handling and other facilities at the ports such as Paradip, etc.; and

(d) if so, what measures are being taken to improve the situation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The information is tabulated below :

Year	Total exports from India to Japan (million tonnes)	Unit price per tonne (Rs./tonne)	Total imports by Japan (million tonnes)	Percentage share
1978-79	14.48	125.92	117.92	12.28
1979-80	17.01	131.76	128.71	13.22