

(a) whether Banking Service Recruitment Board (Delhi) holds a written test for the recruitment of clerks and the successful candidates are also required to undergo an interview test thereafter ;

(b) if so, the reasons for holding interview in addition to written test for clerical posts ; and

(c) whether questions asked in the interview cannot be included in the written paper ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The written test comprises mainly objective type tests. The candidates who qualify in the written test are called for a personal interview. For selection of clerks, interview is considered as an integral part of the recruitment process as it would enable assessment of traits which cannot be evaluated by written test alone. The clerical cadre employees of the nationalised banks get opportunities for promotion to the officers' cadre within a comparatively short time of their appointment as clerks and once promoted are expected to shoulder higher responsibilities. Interviews are, therefore, considered essential to judge the calibre of the candidates.

Proposal for ITDC Hotel at Courtallam (Tamil Nadu)

2902. SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that a tourist spot named Courtallam in Tamil Nadu attracts large number of people all over India ;

(b) whether there is any proposal to set up an I.T.D.C. hotel at Courtallam ;

(c) whether Government of Tamil Nadu has sent any proposal to develop this tourist spot ; and

(d) if so, the action Government of India have taken in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI KHURSHED ALAM KHAN) : (a) to (d). Yes, Sir. The State Government had made a proposal for the conversion of an airstrip at Kayathar near Courtallam into an airport for use by feeder service, and the construction of a 3-Star ITDC hotel at Courtallam. Due to constraints on resources, no decision has been taken on these proposals.

Deduction of Commission from Loans Advanced by World Bank/International Financial Institutions to States

2903. SHRIMATI PRAMILA DANDAVATE : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Central Government have been deducting commission from the loans advanced by the World Bank, International Financial Institutions to the States and other Municipal and civil bodies ;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof ;

(c) the percentage of commission that is deducted from these loans by the Central Government ;

(d) whether the sponsoring banks/loan advancing institutions have severely criticized this deduction ; and

(e) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e). Do not arise.

Installation of X-Ray Machine for Security Check at Udaipur

2904. SHRI DEEN BANDHU VERMA : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether X-Ray machine for security check at Udaipur airport has been diverted to other airport ; and

(b) if not, when the X-Ray machine will