

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) Government keeps under review the working of its various organizations including the intelligence Bureau with a view to improving their efficiency. It is not a fact that the present top officials of the Intelligence Bureau are under orders of transfer.

(b) No, Sir,

Additional Credit Sought by German Democratic Republic from India

1113. SHRI BIBHUTI MISHRA : Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the German Democratic Republic has sought an additional credit of Rs. 2 crores from India ;

(b) if so, the purpose for which this credit has been sought ; and

(c) the decision taken by the Government of India in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (SHRI A C GEORGE) : (a) to (c). Grant of technical credits by the Government of India to other Governments within the frame-work of bilateral commercial relationship is of a confidential nature and it would not be in public interest to disclose the details of these arrangements.

Resignations given by Scientific and Technical Personnel of Regional Research Laboratory, Bhubaneswar

1114. SHRI DEVENDRA SATPATHY : Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state :

(a) the period of absence of the Director of the Regional Research Laboratory, Bhubaneswar from the Laboratory before resigning his post ;

(b) the number of Scientific and Technical personnel who resigned during the absence of the Director ; and

(c) whether Government are satisfied with the work done by the Laboratory ?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C. SUBRAMANIAM) : (a) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See No. LT-283/71*].

(b) Eight.

(c) The Executive Council of the Regional Research Laboratory, Bhubaneswar which is responsible for the management of the Laboratory has not made any unfavourable comments on the work of the Laboratory.

Introduction of 5-Day Week for Government Employees

1115. SHRI RAJA KULKARNI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Mysore Government have introduced 5-day week for its employees ;

(b) if so, whether the Central Government propose to adopt the same policy ; and

(c) whether Government propose to recommend the adoption of uniform policy of 5-day week by all State Governments and public and private business organizations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) (a) : Yes, Sir, on an experimental basis.

(b) and (c). There are no such proposals under consideration,

Programme for Scheduled Tribes over A.I.R., Calcutta

1116. SHRI SUBODH HANSDA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Weekly programme for the Scheduled Tribes over All India Radio, Calcutta has been improved upon since its introduction ;

(b) whether objections have been raised by different Scheduled Tribe organisations and individuals to change the mode of programme ;

(c) whether representations were made to make it bi-weekly and also to increase the time ; and

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

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI DHARAM BIR SINHA): (a) The weekly Santhali programme from Cutcutta station of AIR has been broadcast for a number of years and improvement in its quality is a continuous process.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir. Suggestions for increase in the duration and frequency of this programme have been received from time to time.

(d) It has not been possible to accept these suggestions because of other demands on available broadcasting time.

Yojana Mantri's Trip to U.S.A.

1117. SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI: Will the MINISTER of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether he made a trip to the U.S.A. after he took over the charge of the Yojana Mantralaya ;

(b) whether this trip was in connection with seeking U. S. aid for the Plan ; and

(c) if so, what was the outcome of the trip ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Introduction of Cross Bar Exchange at Coimbatore

1118. SHRI MURASOLI MARAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to introduce Cross Bar Exchange at Coimbatore , and

(b) if so, how soon it will be installed ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI H. N. BAUGUNA) (a) Yes, there is a proposal to instal a 1000 line cross-bar Exchange at Coimbatore.

(b) The installation would be taken up as and when capacity of existing exchanges is likely to get exhausted and demand justifies relief through a second exchange.

Recommendations of Administrative Reforms Commission on Centre-State Relations

1119. SHRI MURASOLI MARAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state what decision has been taken by Government on the recommendations of the Administrative Reforms Commission on Centre-State relations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): The report of the Administrative Reforms Commission on Centre-State Relationships is under examination.

Financial Assistance to Tamil Nadu to Implement Recommendations of State Police Commission

1120. SHRI MURASOLI MARAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Tamil Nadu have sought financial assistance for implementing the recommendations of the State Police Commission ; and

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