Export of Mangoes grown in West Bengal'

Written Answers

4412. SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DAS Will the Minister MUNSI: COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether his Ministry is aware of the need to develop the export of Mangoes produced in Maldah and Murshidabad areas of West Bengal; and
- (b) if so, what specific steps his Ministry has taken in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State Trading Corporation is exploring possibility of exporting Malda mango in consultation with the Government of West Bengal

Jute Technology Centre in North Bengal

4413. SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DAS MUNSI: Will the Minister of COM-MERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether his Ministry is aware that a large quantity of Jute is produced in the North Bengal Districts; and
- (b) if so, whether his Ministry propose to prepare a scheme for a Jute Technology Centres in North Bengal?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No. Sir. The existing Centres can adequately meet the needs of North Bengal.

Criteria adopted for Classification of Hotels

4414. SHRI B. S. BHAURA: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) wheher Government have decided to classify some hotels as Five Star Deluxe:
 - (b) if so the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the cr.teria adopted for classifying the hotels?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KARAN ... SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. Government have recently approved the classification of three hotels as 5-star De Luxe as against one which was placed in this category in 1963 by the Hotel Classification Committee.

(b) and (c). The Hotel Classification Committee-1963 recommended that in view of the fact that the Ashoka Hotel, New Delhi stood out prominently and obtained a substantially higher number of marks than the rest of the 5-star Hotels, it may be categorised as a hotel belonging to 5-star De Luxe category. The Hotel Review Committee 1970 also recommended placement of certain hotels in this category, as they were distinctly above any other 5-star hotels. On the basis of this and the recommendations of the Hotel and Restaurant Approval and Classification Committee, Government agreed that those hotels in the 5-star category which secured over 80 per cent marks in the aggregate be categorised and 5-star De Luxe hotels.

Deterioration of Services offered by Nationalised Banks

4415. SHRI B. S. BHAURA: the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to a report