

**Complaints for Publication of Defence Accounts Year Book and sale of Lottery Tickets in the Office of C.D.A., Patna**

9065. SHRI RAMAVATAR SHASTRI:

SHRI BHOLA MANJHI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether complaints for publication of Restricted Defence Accounts Year Book 1973 in the office of the C.D.A., Patna have been received;

(b) whether there are complaints also for sale of lottery tickets;

(c) whether permission of Government and Competent Authorities had been obtained for publication of the book and sale of lottery tickets; and

(d) if not, what action had been taken by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI K. R. GANESH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d). No, Sir. The office bearers and members of the Staff Welfare Committee of the Office of Controller of Defence Accounts, Patna, who had compiled the Defence Accounts Year Book, had been warned in writing individually for their having brought out the Book without obtaining the prior permission of the competent authority. As regards sale of lottery tickets, permission of the competent authority was not necessary, in terms of instructions issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

**अभ्रक के मूल्य में वृद्धि**

9066. श्री शंकर श्याम सिंह : क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या अभ्रक के फ्लोर मूल्य में वृद्धि की गई है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसकी मुख्य बातें क्या हैं ?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री ए० सी० जाज) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) अभ्रक की विभिन्न किस्मों ग्रेडों तथा क्वालिटियों की न्यूनतम कीमतें विश्व बाजारों में उनकी निर्यात सम्भाव्यता तथा प्रतियोगी स्थिति को देखते हुए 22 फरवरी 1974 से स्टाइडिंग स्केल के आधार पर बढ़ा दी गई है । न्यूनतम कीमतों में इस वृद्धि का आशय अभ्रक का उत्पादन करने तथा उसे साधित करने की लागत में वृद्धि को पूरा करना है ।

**Technical Collaboration between India and Belgium**

9067. SHRI K. MALLANNA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some proposals for technical collaboration between Belgium and India are under negotiations;

(b) if so, whether the Belgium Government has announced any soft loan; and

(c) if so, the terms thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YESHWANTIRAO CHAVAN): (a) No proposals for technical collaboration