व्रतिरक्ता मन्त्री (श्री स्वर्ण सिंह): (क) (एक) से (चार). सूचना एकत्रित की जा रही है भीर उसे सभा के पटल पर रख दिया जाएगा।

Written Answers

- (पांच) राज भाषा प्रधिनियम के आधार पर गृह मन्त्रालय द्वारा जारी किए गए वर्तमान प्रनुदेशों के ग्रंतर्गत सभी केन्द्रीय सर कारी कर्मचारियों को सरकारी काम काज में हिन्दी या ग्रंग्रेजी के प्रयोग करने की पूरी छूट है।
- (छ) ग्रह मंत्रालय द्वारा जारी कियं गए ग्रनुदंगों में ऐसी कोई व्यवस्था नहीं की गई है कि केवल हिंदी जानने वाले अधिकारिया को ही सरकारी काम काज में हिंदी के प्रयोग के सम्बन्ध में बनाई गई योजना को तथा हिंदी शिक्षग् योजना को कार्यान्वित करने की जिम्मेदारी सौंपी जाय।
- (ख) सूचना एकत्रित की जा रही है और उसे सभापटल पर रख दिया जायगा।
- (ग) रक्षा मंत्रालय में कोई हिंदी विरोधी बातावरण नहीं है।

Delegations sent abroad by the Ministsry of Defence

2721. SHRI K. LAKKAPPA: DR. SUSHILA NAYAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of delegations sent abroad during the last two years by his Ministry:
- (b) the names of countries visited by those delegations;
- (c) the amount spent by each delegation; and
 - (d) the result achieved thereby?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SWARAN SINGH): (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Promotions of Officers of Armed Forces

2722. SHRI SHARDA NAND: SHRI J. B. SINGH: SHRI BANSH NARAIN SINGH: SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of senior officers who have been promoted in the last two years in the Armed Forces;
- (b) whether it is a fact that some Officers have been superseded in the matter of promotion; and
 - (c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SWARAN SINGH): (a) 533 to the ranks of Col. and above and equivalent ranks in the Navy and the Air Force.

- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) Selection of senior officers for promotion is made on the basis of their records from amongst eligible officers of requisite seniority and not on the basis of seniority only.

Language of Command Words in Army

- 2723. SHRI BABURAO PATEL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE by pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government are aware that several Minister of the Tamil Nadu Government have appealed to the South Indian regiments in the regular army not to obey 'Words of Command' in Hindi and demand them in English;
- (b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and
- (c) the language in which commands are given in the regular army?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF DEPENCE (SHRI M. R. KRISHNA): (a) No, Sur.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Hindi.

National Sample Survey

2724. SHRIR. BARUA: SHRIN. R. LASKER:

Will the PRIME MINISTER te pleased fo state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a decision