

any representation from the employees of the Tavanur Rural Institute in Kerala requesting that their pay might be revised on par with that of the Kerala Government employees ;

(b) if so, what action has the Ministry taken on these representations ; and

(c) what stands in the way of the Central Government in accepting the recommendations of the Institute authorities on this subject ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V. K. R. V. RAO) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The proposal of the Rural Institute, Tavanur, in this regard is under consideration of the Government.

Seizure of Gold in Bangalore

5267. SHRI NARAYANAN :
SHRI DHANDAPANI :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether gold worth Rs. 4 lakhs was seized in Bangalore on the 19th October, 1970 ;

(b) if so, how many persons have been arrested ; and

(c) the action taken against the persons held responsible ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) : (a) The officers of the Bangalore Central Excise Collectorate searched on 19-10-1970 the business and residential premises of a pawn broker and seized 100 pieces of ten tolas of gold bearing foreign markings from each of the two premises (total 200 pieces). The seized gold weighing approximately 23.3 kgs. is valued at about 4.1 lakhs at the Indian market rate and about Rs. 2.0 lakhs at the international monetary rate.

(b) and (c). One person was arrested and produced before the City Magistrate, Bangalore on 20-10-1970. The Magistrate enlarged the accused on a bail on executing Surety Bond and Personal Bond of Rs. 20,000/-.

Printing of Report of Education Commission

5268. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) how many copies of the first report of the Education Commission were printed ;

(b) the name of the printer, number of copies printed, cost of the same and details of the distribution ;

(c) whether Government have any plan to reprint this report ;

(d) if so, whether the job has been allotted ; and

(e) whether a tender was called, if so, the name of the person whose tender was selected, quantity of the job and the cost ?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (DR. V.K.R.V. RAO) : (a) 20,000.

(b) Originally 14,000 copies of the report of Education Commission were printed by the Government of India Press, New Delhi, and the cost of production was Rs. 87,978. Subsequently another 6,000 copies were printed by them. All these copies except those reserved for free distribution were meant for sale at the rate of Rs. 10/- per copy.

The Report was distributed to Members of Parliament, Ministries of Government of India, State Governments, Universities, leading educationists and a few selected educational institutions in India and abroad.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The Report is being printed by the National Council of Educational Research and Training which invited tenders for reprinting the report in four volumes of 10,000 copies each and one omnibus volume of 5,000 copies. The work was entrusted to the lowest tenderer, M/s. Sree Saraswati Press Ltd, Calcutta. The estimated total expenditure on printing and paper works out to Rs. 3,10,000.

Calcutta State Transport Buses

5269. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that 47.3 per cent