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mation regarding the number of assessments pending with the Commissioners of Incometax, Bombay City—I, II, III and Bombay Central and Poona is given below :

Commissioner'sCharge	No. of assessments pending as on 31-3-1970
Bombay City-I, II, II	
Central	171082
Poona	33960

(c) All possible steps are being taken to expedite the disposal of these assessments.

Procedure for Streamlining of Internal Audit

5316. SHRI SURENDRANATH DWI-VEDY : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

 (a) whether it is a fact that Government have set up a Committee to study and suggest measures for streamlining procedure of internal audit;

(b) if so, whether the work of the committee has been completed; and

(c) if so, the suggestions made by the committee ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA): (a) Government have not set up any Committee to study and suggest measures for streamlining procedures internal audit. However, a Team of officers has been set up to consider certain matters relating to accounts and budget heads arising out of the recommendations of the Administrative Reforms Commission in its report on "Finance Accounts and Audit" and the report on "The Machinery of Government of India and its procedures of work." The Team is, inter alia, to make specific redetailed commendations regarding the accounts which should be maintained by the various Departments of Government and the extent to which the details could be eliminated from the accounts maintained in the offices of the Accountants General. The internal audit aspect flowing out of the revised accounting arrangements that may be recommended by the Team will have to be considered in due course.

(b) The Team referred to above is still engaged in its work and has not yet submitted its report.

(c) Does not arise.

Measures to Prevent Erosion of Beach and Bank around Digha

5317. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES be pleased to state :

(a) whether approximately 50 delegates of the 57th Indian Science Congress held at Kharagpur in January last went to Digha, the only health resort of West Bengal, and discussed about the beach and bank erosion around Digha;

(b) if so, what were the suggestions and advice given by them to arrest erosion and protect the place which has one of the finest motorable beach in the world; and

(c) whether any steps have been taken accordingly ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES (SHRI BHAKT DAR-SHAN): (a) Digha was included in the programme of excursions for the delegates of 57th Session of the Science Congress held in January, 1970. No precise information is readily available regarding the number of delegates who visited Digha, nor whether they discussed the beach and bank erosion problem of that place. The delegates did not give any report on their visit.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Completion of Work on National Highway No. 41

5318. SHRI S. C. SAMANTA : Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANS-PORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the construction work of National Highway No. 41 is progressing according to the time schedule;

(b) if not, what are the difficulties;

(c) whether the land acquisition procedure has been completed, if not, at what portions of the proposed road, the work has remained unfinished; and