

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2170

ANSWERED ON:08.03.2000

NON-ACCEPTANCE OF INDIA CURRENCY BY HIGH COMMISSIONS

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government are aware that some High commissions like Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore have stopped accepting notes of Rs. 500 denomination;

(b) if so the reasons therefor; and

(c) the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a) & (b) The High Commissions of Malaysia and Singapore and the Embassy of Thailand have denied that they were not accepting notes of Rs.500 denomination.

(c) All the foreign diplomatic missions have been advised to accept notes of Rs. 500 denomination from Indian national for normal diplomatic services. They have also been advised to contact a designated officer of the Reserve Bank of India in case of any doubt about the genuineness of any Indian currency or any other matter connected therewith.