GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:334 ANSWERED ON:01.03.2002 RECOMMENDATIONS OF EXPENDITURE REFORMS COMMISSION LAXMAN GILUWA

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have examined the suggestions made by the Committee on Expenditure Reforms;

(b) if so, the details of the suggestions accepted by the Government;

(c) the action taken thereon till date;

(d) the details of those suggestions which have not been accepted by the Government with reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government has not been able to check the unproductive expenditure being incurred by the high ranking officers as they have not adhered to the suggestion made by the Government; and

(f) if so, the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (Shri Balasaheb Vikhe Patil)

(a) to (d) The Expenditure Reforms Commission has submitted in all 10 reports covering 36 Ministries/Departments and four specific issues namely, Food subsidy, Fertilizer Subsidy, autonomous institutions and optimizing staff strength. The recommendations contained in these reports were forwarded to the concerned Ministries/Departments and these are at various stages of implementation. Around 12,200 posts at different levels have been identified for abolition so far on the basis of ERC recommendations.

(e) & (f) The economy instructions issued by the Government from time to time to avoid wasteful expenditure are required to be adhered to by all Ministries/Departments.