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(FOURTH LOK SABHA)

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INTRODUCTION

I, Chairman, Estimates Committee, having been authorised by the Committee to submit the Report on their behalf, present this Sixtieth Report of the Estimates Committee on action taken by Government on the recommendations contained in the Forty-Fifth Report of the Estimates Committee (Fourth Lok Sabha) on the Ministry of Finance—Review of Defence Budget—Consolidation of Revenue Demands.

2. Forty-Fifth Report of the Estimates Committee was presented to the Lok Sabha on 27th February, 1968. Government furnished replies indicating action taken on the recommendations contained in the Report on 27th March, 1968. The Draft Report was adopted by the Committee on the 25th April, 1968.

3. The Report has been divided into the following Chapters:

I. Report.

II. Recommendations that have been accepted by the Government.

4. An analysis of the action taken by Government on the recommendations contained in the Report is given in the Appendix. It would be observed therefrom that all the three recommendations contained in the Report have been accepted by Government.

> P. VENKATASUBBAIAH, Chairman, Estimates Committee.

New Delhi; April 25, 1968. Vaisakha 5, 1890 (Saka)

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REPORT

The Committee are glad to observe that the recommendations contained in their Forty-Fifth Report (Fourth Lok Sabha) on the Ministry of Finance—Review of Defence Budget—Consolidation of Revenue Demands. have been replied to by Government in time, and to the Committee's satisfaction.

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CHAPTER II

RECOMMENDATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED BY GOVERNMENT.

Recommendation (Serial No. 1, Para No. 1.5)

The Committee accept the explanation and assurances of the Ministry.

Reply of Government

The conclusions of the Committee have been noted.

(Ministry of Finance O.M. No. F11 (63) 67 BI PC2 579-B dated 27th March, 1968):

Recommendation (Serial No. 2, Para No. 1.6)

In view of the position now explained by the Ministry of Finance. and the assurance given by them that in the operation on the Demand the same procedure as was followed when the Demands were separate, will be followed before effecting the re-appropriation among the Army, Navy and Air Force Estimates, the Committee do not propose to pursue the matter further. They would, however, suggest that a suitable indication may be given to that effect while presenting the Budget for 1968-69.

Reply of Government

It is noted that the Committee do not propose to pursue the matter further. With reference to the last sentence of the recommendation, it is stated that in para 2 of the Introductory note forming part of the book containing the Demands for Grants of Ministry of Defence for 1968-69, the following restriction has been provided:—

"However, for purposes of reappropriation of savings from one Sub-Major Head to another in this composite Demand, the Army, including Defence Production, the Navy and the Air Force will be treated as if they are separate Demands as in the past and consequently no reappropriation will be made between the three.".

Also in the detailed Defence Services Estimates on page 2 an addendum has been pasted which runs as follows:—

 "Note. For reappropriation of savings from one head to another, under "Defence Services Effective" the Army

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' (including Defence Production), the Navy and the Air Force will be treated as separate Demands as in the past no re-appropriation will be made between the three."

(Ministry of Finance O.M. No. F11(63) |67|BI|PC2|579B dated 27th March, 1968).

Recommendation (Serial No. 3, Para No. 1.7)

The Committee note that in the Budget for 1969-70 the Finance Ministry will go back to the arrangement of three separate Demands for the three Services.

REPLY OF GOVERNMENT

The conclusions of the Committee have been noted.

(Ministry of Finance O.M. No. F11(63)|67|PC2|579B dated the 27th March, 1968).

APPENDIX

Analysis of action taken on the recommendations contained in the 45th Report of the Estimates Committee (Fourth Lok Sabha).

1. Total number of the recommendations......3.

2. Recommendations that have been accepted by Government: Nos. 1, 2 and 3 (included in Chapter II).

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