mance of individual banks at the time of their periodical inspections. The deficiencies observed are mentioned in the inspection reports and brought to the notice of the concerned banks. The banks, whose progress in lending under the Scheme is not eatisfactory, are asked by the Reserve Bank of India to step up their lending and indicate the steps taken or proposed to be taken for this purpose.

Demand for abolishing compound and punitive Rates of Interest charged from Peasants

1525. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there have been demands for abolishing compound and punitive rates of interest charged from peasants by the All India Kisan Sabha and other peasant organisations;
- (b) if so, the details thereabout and Government reaction thereto;
- (c) whether it is proposed to charge only differential rates of interests on credits advanced to agricultural labourers, marginal and small farmers;
 - (d) if so, the details thereabout; and
 - (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) Yes, Sir. Such a demand has been made in the past.

- (b) According to existing instructions of the Reserve Bank of India, banks are allowed to compound interest on overdues, and not on current dues. The provision for compound/penal rates of interest are considered necessary to maintain the requisite financial discipline in the lending operations of the banks.
- (c) to (e). The Differential Rates of Interest Scheme is basically meant to cater to the credit requirements of the weakest among weaker sections. Small/marginal farmers can avail of finance under the Scheme if they satisfy the prescribed eligibility criteria. On account of limited funds available under the Scheme, it is not possible to extend its application

for credit needs of all agriculural labourers, marginal and small farmers.

Reservation of Jobs for Deaf and Dumb Persons

1526. SHRI R. N. RAKESH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government have issued instructions to Government Departments/Undertakings for reservation of 1 per cent jobs for Deaf and Dumb persons and identify such jobs;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that there are a number of jobs like Typing, Despatch, writing of Inward Mail, instruments collection schedules, Day Books, Statements of Accounts, Clearing schedules, sortings of notes, etc. etc. in large/medium size branches and Head Offices of banks which do not involve public dealings;
- (c) if so, whether benefit of reservation for the jobs of the nature stated in part (b) above is extended by the State Bank of India and other nationalised banks; and
 - (d) if so, the full details in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JAN-ARDHANA POOJARY): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) According to available information as on 1-1-1982, 60 deaf and dumb persons were working in various public sector banks in the clerical and the subordinate cadre.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

SOCIAL SECURITY CERTIFICATES (AMEND-MENT) RULES, 1982 AND NOTIFICATION re. MARKET LOANS

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): I beg to lay on the Table:

(1) A copy of the Social Security Certificates (Amendment) Rules, 1982 (Hindi and Engllish versions) publish-

ed in Notification No. G.S.R. 432(E) in Gazette of India dated the 29th May, 1982, under sub-section (3) of section 12 of the Government Savings Certificates Act, 1959. [Placed in library See No. LT-4247 82].

(2) A copy of the Notification No. F. 4(5)-W&M/82 (Hindi and English versions) dated the 14th July, 1982, regarding market loans. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-4248/82].

MADHU PROF. DANDAVATE (Rajapur): I have already drawn your attention that in the Minutes of the PUC laid on the Table by the Chairman

MR. SPEAKER: I have sent your communication to the PUC Chairman.

SHRI SATYASADHAN CHAKRA-BORTY (Calcutta South): Here is a circular by the NCERT where the Heads of Departments are requested to implement the Congress (I) election programme. (Interruptions) I am prepared to lay it on the Table of the House.

MR. SPEAKER: Not allowed. Please give it to me in writing. I will see. I cannot discuss it here.

SATYASDHAN SHRI CHAKRA-BORTY: This is zero hour.

MR. SPEAKER: No question of zero hour. Not allowed. This will not go on record.

(Interruption) *

श्री राम विलास पासवान: (हाजीपुर): श्रध्यक्ष जी, मैं एक श्रत्यंत लोक महत्व के प्रश्न की ग्रोर ग्रापका ध्यान ग्राकर्षित करना चाहता हं । "दिनमान" में एक म्राटिकल निकला है कि जब राष्ट्रपति श्री नीलम संजीवा रेड्डी श्रीनगर गए थे तो.....

MR. SPEAKER: This is not a question of adjournment motion. I am finding out the facts.

(Interruption) *

MR. SPEAKER: I have not allowed him. I am looking into it and I will get the facts and then I shall.

(Interruption) *

अध्यक्ष महोदय: मैंने भापको कहा है कि एडजर्नमेंट का विषय नहीं बनता।

In spite of that I am looking into it and getting the facts.

ग्राप जिद क्यों करते हैं ।

SHRI HARIKESH BAHADUR (Gorakhpur): I have written to you about the Minutes of the 47th Report of the PUC.

श्रध्यक्ष महोदय : मेंने लिख दिया है, ग्रभी तो जवाब दिया है।

SHRI HARIKESH BAHADUR: You did not tell me anything.

MR. SPEAKER: It is Mr. Nadar's, yours and Mr. Dandavate's.

SHRI HARIKESH BAHADUR: What about my letter? I have written that nothing of the 2nd April Meeting was mentioned in the Minutes.

DR. SUBRAMANIAM SWAMY (Bombay North East): I had given you a notice on the drought situation in North Bihar and Orissa....

MR. SPEAKER: I am going to allow discussion on this.

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER Sadar): In Delhi, Swantra Bharat Mill has declared in illegal lock-out and over 6000 workers....

MR. SPEAKER: Not allowed. You please give in writing. If there is any rule, I will look into it.

SHRI RAJESH PILOT (Bharatpur): I have given a notice that FCI is not purchasing wheat from the farmers....