Staff Working in State Bank of Patiala

2072. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be bleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that some clerical staff of the State Bank of Patial in Patiala (Punjab) is working at one station for the last 10 years;
- (b) if so, whether Government propose to take action in this regard and transfer these persons; and
- (c) if so, by when and the names of such persons who are likely to be transferred?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir, State Bank of Patial have reported that the transfer of the clerical staff are effected as per the transfer policy of the bank for clerical staff according to which clerical staff can stay at a station beyond 10 years.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Under-Invoicing by Seagram

2073. SHRI MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be bleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item captioned "Seagram's cheap imports taken industry by surprise" appearing in the Financial Express, New Delhi on the 23rd November, 1998;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Seagram is continuously importing scotch concentrates since 1994 at a very low price; and
- (c) if so, what action Government propose to take to check the underinvoicing being done by Seagram for import of Scotch concentrates and the action contemplated against the company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (c) M/s. -Seagram Manufacturing Pvt. Ltd., a subsidiary of M/s Jose Seagram & Sons, UK has been importing concentrates of