

have been constituted for districts along the international border and for those districts having high incidence of detection/seizures of counterfeit notes. These Committees will report its findings to the State Level Committee. These Committees meet once in 3 months.

These Committees deal exclusively with the issues relating to counterfeit notes *viz.*

- (a) Sharing of information on seizures/detection.
- (b) Lodging of FIR.
- (c) Reviewing measures to curb circulation of forged notes.
- (d) Focusing on both the "cause and effect" of the menace.

#### **Freeing of Bank Capital**

2605. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is to free bank capital for lending to a section of India Inc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the effect of such policy change?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) No such proposal is under consideration of the Government.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

#### **Allocation of 3G technology spectrum**

2606. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is the sovereign owner of all natural resources like Gas and Spectrum;
- (b) whether his Ministry played an important role in the matter of allocation and auction of spectrum issue of 3-Generation Technology;
- (c) if so, whether Government will intervene and play the same role in natural gas so as to ensure that Government does not suffer losses on account of taxes due to discrimination in fixing natural gas prices by the EGSM *vis-a-vis* Bombay High Court; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

#### **Counterfeit notes in ATMs**

2607. SHRI A. ELAVARASAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that counterfeit notes are being found in ATM counters frequently;