

Credit facilities for small sector in Delhi

2127. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Administration has requested the Central Government to set up a separate bank to give adequate credit facilities exclusively for the small sector;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action is proposed to be taken in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Clashes between Indian and Pakistani troops on Siachen Glacier area

2128. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:-

(a) whether any clashes recently took place between the Indian and the Pakistani troops in Siachen Glacier area in Ladakh;

(b) if so, whether any meeting with the Pakistani sector Commander took place to discuss the issue; and

(c) if so, what was the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) There have been some cases of exchange of fire between Pakistani and Indian troops in the Siachen Glacier area of Ladakh region. In a recent incident some Pakistani troops attacked one of our posts in the area. The attack was unprovoked and was repulsed by our troops.

(b) and (c) The issue of the unprovoked attack on our post was raised with the Pakistan Sector Commander by our local Commander at a Flag Meeting which remained inconclusive.

Operation of Boeing 757 aircraft from; Calcutta Airport

2129. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN. Will the Minister of TOURISM " AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received several representations from Members of Parliament requesting to make Calcutta Airport as a base for Boeing 757 which are likely to be introduced in the Indian Airlines soon; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI KHURSHED ALAM KHAN), (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Due to operational and technical reasons, the base for Boeing 757 aircraft will have to be at Delhi.

Setting up of a separate Department and a Council for export promotion

2130. SHRI VISHWA BANDHU GUPTA:

SHRI HUSEN DALWAI.

THAKUR JAGAT PAL SINGH:

DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI;

SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI;

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government propose to set up a separate Department for exports and a Council for promotion of exports; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY (SHRI NIHAR RANJAN LASKAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.