

(b) Under the uniform management pattern being evolved in consultation with State Governments, inspections by the Department of Tourism is proposed.

(c) There is at present no such scheme.]

Post of Deputy Director General in Indian Institute of Foreign Trade

507. SHRI NIREN GHOSH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that after the creation of the post of Deputy Director General at the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, the post was not advertised;

(b) whether Shri V. Vithal Babu, the then Director, Marketing Research continued to function as Deputy Director General though he was allowed to use the designation only for a short period; and

(c) whether any enquiry has been made into this matter and if so, the action taken thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI V. P. SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Shri Vithalbabu was appointed as Deputy Director General to begin with against a temporary post and has continued to hold the post on a temporary basis thereafter.

(c) No, Sir.

Account of money in circulation

608. SHRI LOKANATH MISRA:
SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO:
SHRI M. P. VERMA:
SHRI SITARAM SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Reserve Bank of India is not keeping an accurate account of money in circulation.

(b) Whether it is also a fact that there have been numerous instances of detecting of duplications or even triplications of currency notes apart from the usual instances of counterfeiting.

(c) Whether Government have made any inquiry in this regard, if so, the details thereof and whether Government have taken any action against the Officers found responsible for the gross negligence; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in the affirmative, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) In August—September 1974, five packets of Notes of Five Rupee denomination each having 19 notes with repetitive numbering were detected and stray cases of repetitive numbering of two or three notes of other denominations have also come to notice in the past. Such instances are however rare. Total output of the Currency Note Press, Nasik is presently of the order of 4400 million pieces per annum.

(c) and (d) Enquiries revealed that the repetitive numbering had occurred on account of mechanical defects in the numbering machines which remained undetected at the subsequent examination. Disciplinary action has already been taken against the defaulting employees. Steps are also being taken to replace the old numbering machines by the modern rotary type numbering machines.