

beach erosion at Kovalam, Goa and Mahabalipuram, which have been included in the Central tourism development programme. The report of the UN expert who studied beach erosion at these places is awaited, for taking suitable measures to minimise the danger of erosion of the beaches at the three places. However, as the problem at Kovalam is rather acute, a detailed study has been initiated through the Peechi Research Station in Kerala to monitor the Kovalam bay at 5 to 6 places upto a depth of 30 ft. three times a year. The monitoring will continue for a period of 2 years. It will help to determine the extent of sand lost due to ocean currents during the monsoon and how best to replenish it—whether from an inland source or by dredging it from the sea with a coastal dredger.

Increase in demand of Indian fibre yarn in World market

1024. DR. R. K. CHAKRAVARTY
SHRI K. B. CHETTRI:
MISS SAROJ PURUSHOTTAM
KHAPARDE:
SHRIMATI AZIZA IMAM:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any study about the increase in demand of Indian fibre yarn in world market;

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

(c) what steps Government propose to take to steps up production of fibre yarn for export?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI A. C. GEORGE): (a) No systematic study has been carried out about the demand of Indian fibre yarn in world market.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Delay in Completion of Pass Books by the Gole Market Branch of Central Bank of India

1025. SHRI HARSH DEO MALAVIYA:
SHRI N. R. CHOUDHURY:

SHM SARDAR AMJAD ALI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Pass Books sent for relevant entries to the Gole Market Branch of the Central Bank of India are not completed even after three months of their sending and the customers are told that the delay is due to staff shortage;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Bank does not send Pass Books to customers by post or through messengers but they are required to collect the same from the Bank; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take to improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN): (a) Central Bank of India has reported that during the months of July and August, 1973 when part-time pass book writers in all branches of the bank in Delhi/New Delhi were on agitation, the pass books sent to the Gole Market Branch of the bank by the constituent could not be written up and returned in time.

(b) In the case of Current Accounts, pass books/statements of accounts are sent to the account holders either through messenger/post or may be delivered to them personally. Expenses that may be incurred in sending of Current Account Pass Books/Statements of Account to the account holders are taken care of in the 'incidental charges' that are levied by the bank on current accounts. As regards Savings Bank Accounts, pass books have to be presented to the bank/collected from the bank by the account holders personally. This is because in terms of Central Bank of India's "Home Savings Safe Account Rules" pass books have to be presented to the bank at the time of each deposit and withdrawal of money so that such deposit or withdrawal may be duly entered in the pass books. When a withdrawal from account is made by means of cheque, the pass book has to be sent to the bank as soon as possible after such withdrawal for its being posted up to date. In case large