

For the current financial year 1972-73, the Ministry of Foreign Trade has retained the target of Rs. 1760 crores (as given in Fourth-Plan mid-term appraisal) which would mean an increase of nearly 10 per cent over the level of 1971-72.

UNACCOUNTED D/LONSY AND VALUABLE SEIZED IN RAIDS BY INCOME-TAX AUTHORITIES.

«5. SHKI S. A. KHAJA MOiii-DEEN:

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of unaccounted money and other valuables seized in raids made by the Income-tax authorities in Kanpur recently; and

(b) the total money and value of other articles seized in similar raids at other places in the country since April last?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHKI K. K. GAIN USUI: (a) The amount of cash and other assets seized by the Income tax Department in Kanpur during the period April to September, 1972 is Rs. 8.20 lakhs.

(b) The total value of cash and other assets seized in other places during April to September, 1972 is Rs. 244.02 lakhs.

INADEQUATE AIR SERVICES IN ASSAM REGION

86. SHRI GOLAP BARBC RA: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints from the National Chamber of Commerce, Tinsukia, Eastern Assam Chamber of Commerce, Dibrugarh and others regarding: (i) inadequate number of flights from Mohanbari, Lilaban, Jorhat to Gauhati and Calcutta, (ii) frequent cancellation of the existing flights causing great inconvenience to the travelling public, and (iii) inadequate passenger amenities at the airports; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to improve matters?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (DR. KAKAJN SLNGH): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Indian Airlines plans to extend its Boeing 737 service to Mohanbari as soon as the requisite operational facilities become available. Air services to other stations in Assam will be augmented when the Corporation receives additional HS-748 aircraft which are presently on order from Hindustan Aircraft Ltd.

The Terminal Building at Mohanbari is being expanded and the work is expected to be completed early next year. Action is also being taken to improve passenger amenities at the other stations.

87. [Transferred to the 13rd Nov ember, 1972.]

EXPORTS OF AUTOMOBILE ANCHXIHIES TO SOVIET UNION

88. SHKI SITAKAM KESRI: SHRI K. F. S11NGH DEO:

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE be pleased to state:

(a) whether new efforts are being made to export automobile ancillaries to the Soviet Union if so, the details thereof, and whether a delegation was recently sent to that country in this regard;

(b) the target set in this behalf; and

(c), whether any agreement in this regard has been concluded, if so, the terms thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE /MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE, (SHKI A. C. GLOKGE) : (a) to (c) Yes Sir, During the visit of an Indian Trade Delegation to Moscow in May, 1972 to finalise the 1972 Protocol between the two countries, the export possibilities of automobile ancillaries to USSR was discussed. A delegation representing automobile manufacturing units including the Projects and Equipments Corporation, a subsidiary of the State Trading Corporation,