

Government by the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, Shri Charan Singh;

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the scheme; and

(c) what is the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal is that Government should announce that all notes at present in circulation should be exchanged for new notes over a specified period, at the end of which the present series of notes will be demonetized. Those tendering notes will submit returns, to be checked in due course. It is also suggested in the scheme that it should be announced that this process will be repeated every five years or, if necessary, even earlier.

(c) Government consider that demonetization will not serve any useful purpose. Parties tendering notes and offering plausible explanations of how they acquired these would have to be granted conversion facilities and it is likely that practically all notes will have to be converted. Also, demonetization cannot deal with unaccounted wealth held in the form of bullion, land, etc

#### LAND ALLOTMENT POLICY OF D.D.A.

\*40. SHRI BABUBHAI M. CHINAI: Will the Minister of WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to change the Land Allotment (Residential Plots) Policy of Delhi Development Authority; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS, HOUSING AND SUPPLY (SHRI JAGANNATH RAO):

(a) and (b) Yes, some proposals are under consideration in this connection, which envisage allotment of plots at pre-

determined rates to persons belonging to Middle Income Group, i.e., those whose emoluments are between Rs 6,001 and Rs. 15,000 per annum; allotment of plots to persons living in slum areas even though they own property in Delhi; permission to owners of property in Delhi to bid in auction of plots provided they do not own unbuilt plots in class 'A' cities, i.e., cities with a population of more than ten lakhs; allotment of land to Co-operative House Building Societies which are willing to go in for group housing.

#### REPORT OF THE D. A. COMMISSION

• 41. SHRI RAM CHANDER;  
SHRI D. THENGARI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Gajendragadkar Commission has submitted its final report to Government on the question of Dearness Allowance payable to different categories of Central Government employees;

(b) if so, what are the main recommendations of the Commission; and what are Government's decision in respect thereof; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, what are the reasons for the delay in submitting the report of the Commission to Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No time-limit was specified in the terms of reference of the Commission for submitting its report on the general issue of the principles which should govern the grant of dearness allowance in future. The question of delay, therefore, does not arise. However, the Commission is expected to make its report by the end of this month.