

(c) if so, the details thereof and by when customers may get ATM facility there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JAYANT SINHA): (a) As per Reserve Bank of India (RBI) guidelines, banks need not obtain its permission for ATM installation at branches and extension counters for which they hold licences issued by RBI, subject to reporting. Further, Scheduled Commercial Banks (SCBs) are permitted to install off-site ATMs at centres/places identified by them, without having the need to take permission from RBI in each case, subject to reporting.

(b) and (c) UCO Bank, which is the State Level Bankers' Committee convener Bank in Himachal Pradesh has informed that at present there is no ATM in Jangla in Chirgaon Tehsil under Shimla district of Himachal Pradesh. Setting up of ATMs is done by banks based on commercial viability.

Promotion avenues of Investigation Cadre employees of DGIT

996. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that hundreds of Investigation Cadre employees of Directorate General of Income Tax (DGIT) have neither been granted promotion for several years nor have been merged with another cadre;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor, and

(c) the steps taken by Government to merge the Investigation Cadre of Income Tax Department with the Chief Commissioner of Income Tax at the earliest as decided by the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) and (b) No, Madam. The employees working in the Cadre of Investigation and Vigilance Directorates have been granted promotion against vacancies occurring from time to time.

(c) Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) has issued instructions that the members of the Cadre under DGIT(Inv.) may be given the option of merging either with CCA Cadre under Cadre Control of Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, Delhi, immediately or join the single unified cadre of the attached Directorates of CBDT first and then subsequently be absorbed into the Cadre under Pr. CCIT, Delhi.