holding their own examinations for recruitment to various categories of posts under them; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND REVENUE AND BANKING (SHRI H. M. PATEL): (a) and (b). Banking Service Commission, which was set up on 21st February, 1977 has not so far started recruitment of personnel for public sector banks. In the meantime, to avoid any set back to their various programmes, the public sector banks have been advised to continue with their recruitment process, till the Banking Service Commission notifies under Section 15 of the Act, the date from which all appointments to posts covered by the Act are filled by public sector banks only on the recommendation of the Commission.

## Rate of Payment of HRA and CCA to Central Government Employees

6418. SHRI SRIBATCHA DIGAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND REVENUE AND BANKING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to revise the rate of payment of House Rent Allowance and City Compensatory Allowance to Central Government employees working in Delhi in view of the significant rise in house rent in Delhi; and
  - (b) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND REVENUE AND BANKING (SHRI H. M. PATEL) : (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

## Salary paid to National Textile Corporation Showroom Employees

6419. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN KADANNAPPALLI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Textile Corporation showroom employees are getting only a very meagre fixed consolidated salary for the last three years;

- (b) if so, the reasons thereof; and
- (c) whether Government have any proposal to improve the pay scales?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): (a) No, Sir. Regular retail showroom activities were started by the National Textile Corporation only in September 1975. The showroom employees are paid consolidated salary commensurate with their responsibility. The salary paid by NTC is higher than the statutory minimum wages.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) The National Textile Corporation is reviewing the matter in consultation with the showroom employees.

## Foreign Exchange earnings from Kerala

6420. SHRI B. K. NAIR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND CIVII. SUPPLIES AND COOPERATION be pleased to state the foreign exchange earnings in respect of products from Kerala State in the past three years in absolute terms and in terms of percentage of earnings of the whole country?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND CIVIL SUPPLIES AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI MOHAN DHARIA): Foreign Trade data is not collected and compiled on statewise basis.

## भी विश्वाचरण शुक्त की ब्राय भ्रीर धन का निर्धारण

- 6421. भी राधवजी : क्या विश तथा राजस्य और वैंकिंग मंती यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :
- (क) भूतपूर्व सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री, श्री विद्याचरण मुक्त के आयकर और धनकर का किसी वर्ष तक का निर्धारण किया गया है ;
- (च) किए गए निर्धारण के प्राधार पर यत तीन वर्षों के दौरान भी विद्यायरण मुक्त