

pressors, Pump-sets, printing machines, lathes, electronic typewriters, trucks and buses, plastics machinery, portable generators, construction projects, mini cement plants, LPG gas cylinders, paddy husker, etc.

#### **Position of India in World Shrimp Export**

7039. SHRI H.A. DORA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is the World's largest exporter of shrimp in terms of quantity; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) and (b). According to FAO statistics published upto 1985, in quantitative terms India was the largest exporter of shrimps in the world. India continued to be a leading shrimp supplying country to World markets like Japan, USA and EEC during 1986. (Source: MPEDA, Cochin.)

#### **Arrest of Customs Department Officials for Smuggling Gold**

7040. SHRI V. TULSIRAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the persons from the Customs Department posted at air and sea ports are also arrested as and when found involved in the smuggling of gold and other contraband goods;

(b) if so, the number of such persons arrested during the last one year; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI A.K. PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Two such persons have been arrested during the calendar year, 1987.

(c) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

#### **Seizure of Foreign Exchange at Bombay International Airport**

7041. SHRI MADAN PANDEY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the revenue intelligence unit had seized some amount of foreign exchange at Bombay international airport during December, 1987;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the names of the persons from whom the foreign exchange seized; and

(c) the action taken by Government against those persons so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE ( SHRI A.K. PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). On 17th/18th December, 1987, the officials of the Directorate of revenue intelligence seized U.S dollars 20,000 from a passenger named. Aslam Ali Hussein Kapade bound for Dubai, at Sahar International Airport , Bombay. The foreign currency had been concealed inside his rectum. The passenger has been arrested.