

currency loans to some public sector undertakings amounting to Rs. 13.57 crores. The foreign banks, as part of their normal operations in India, have also granted credit limits to some public sector undertakings in the country. Such credit limits granted by 7 foreign banks to 20 public sector undertakings aggregated Rs. 42.96 crores at the end of July, 1977.

विदेशों में गये सरकारी प्रतिनिधि

2342. श्री रामेश्वर पाटीदार : क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गत छह महीनों के दौरान सरकार के प्रतिनिधि के रूप में विभिन्न देशों को गए व्यक्तियों के नाम क्या हैं ; और

(ख) भारतीय रुपए और विदेशी मुद्रा में भ्रमण-भ्रमण उन पर कितना व्यय हुआ है ?

वित्त तथा राजस्व और बैंकिंग मंत्री (श्री एच० एम० पटेल) : (क) और (ख). सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और यथा सम्भव शीघ्र सभा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

अफगानिस्तान में कारखानों की

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2343. श्री हरमोबिन्द बर्मा : क्या वाणिज्य तथा नागरिक द्रुति और सहकारिता मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का अफगानिस्तान में नए उद्योग स्थापित करने का विचार है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो कितने उद्योग किन्-विन् शर्तों पर खोले जाने हैं ?

वाणिज्य तथा नागरिक द्रुति और सहकारिता मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री धारिक बेग) :

(क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Security measures to prevent skyjacking of plane occupied by the Prime Minister

2344. SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the sudden spurt in skyjacking and in the interest of the country as well as in the interest of the Prime Minister, the decision by the Prime Minister to take commercial flights for his travel will be reconsidered;

(b) will an assurance be given that special security measures are being taken to prevent skyjacking of the planes in which the Prime Minister chooses to travel; and

(c) state the measures being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAUSHIK): (a) and (b). The Prime Minister is fully aware of the security aspects involved in his travelling by commercial flights, and adequate security measures including anti-hijacking and anti-sabotage precautions are always duly taken.

(c) It would not be in the public interest to spell out the measures that are taken in this regard.

Issue of 'P' Forms

2345. SHRI K. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state whether Government consider to authorise the sub-post offices to issue 'P' forms along with the Nationalised Bank in view of fresh