GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1794 ANSWERED ON:07.03.2000 FAKE CURRENCY SANJAY PASWAN;VSM (RETD.) COL. CHOUDHARY

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to news-item captioned `Fake notes were printed at Pak Security Press` appearing in `The Hindustan Times` dated January 10,2000;
- (b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D.SWAMI) (a): Yes, Sir.

(b)&(c): A UDC in the Pakistan Embassy in Kathmandu was caught red-handed while trying to exchange a consignment of fake Indian currency notes totalling Rs.50,000/-(in the denomination of Rs.500/-)by the Nepalese Police on 3.1.2000,. Since he claimed diplomatic immunity, he was detained by the Nepalese Government. On inquiry, the Nepalese Government found that his conduct and activities were not found to be compatible with his official status. He was, therefore, asked to leave Nepal.