

[Shri Sezhayan]

Auditor General of India for the year 1969-70 Central Government (Civil)-Revenue Receipts relating to Customs.

- (2) Forty-fifth Report regarding Appropriation Accounts (Railways), 1969-70 and Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1969-70, Central Government (Railways).

COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES AND SCHEDULED TRIBES

SEVENTH REPORT

SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY (Cooch-Bihar) : I beg to present the Seventh Report (Hindi and English versions) of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the Ministry of Defence (Department of Defence Production)—Reservations for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the Defence Public Sector Undertakings.

13'04 hrs.

DEMANDS FOR GRANTS 1972-73 — Contd.

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS—Contd.

MR. SPEAKER : We shall continue with the discussion on the Ministry of External Affairs for the whole of this day and some time will be left tomorrow.

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SWARAN SINGH) : I shall need about 40-45 minutes.

MR. SPEAKER : Tomorrow we will have about one hour and a half for this Ministry of which the hon. Minister will take 40-45 minutes; the rest of the time will be available for hon. Members even tomorrow. Shri Deb may now continue his speech; he may take another ten minutes. He will begin his speech after lunch.

13'05 hrs.

*The Lok Sabha adjourned for Lunch
till Fourteen of the Clock.*

*The Lok Sabha re-assembled after
Lunch at three minutes past
Fourteen of the Clock*

[SHRI K. N. TIWARY in the Chair]

DEMANDS FOR GRANTS, 1972-73 — Contd.

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS—Contd.

SHRI DASARATHA DEB (Tripura East) : Mr. Chairman, Sir, yesterday I was narrating how American imperialism, which revealed itself as the enemy of the Indian people only a few months back, is now attempting to subjugate another part of Asia. It is a matter of great shame that for years the Government of India, which were heavily depending on American loans, would not condemn American aggression in Vietnam. The Government of India have so far followed a policy of relying on foreign aid, particularly US aid. Their policy regarding the Provisional Revolutionary Government is still more regrettable. Even today there is a tendency on the part of the Government of India to equate the puppet Government in Saigon with the Provisional Revolutionary Government established by the people in South Vietnam. This is totally wrong. This is a damaging attitude which is indirectly helping the American imperialists to cover up the American aggressive design against the freedom-loving people of Vietnam.

Our party has always been demanding that India should recognise the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam and sever its diplomatic relations with the Saigon Government. But I am sorry to note that the Government of India is still hesitating to take positive steps in this direction.

Our party welcomes the statement of the Government of India calling for the withdrawal of all foreign forces from the soil of Vietnam and holding the American Govern-