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No.F.1/8/82-Coin
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Economic Affairs

New Delhi, the 10th November, 1983

To

The Chief Secretary,
Government of

Subject:- Rounding off transactions to the nearest multiple
of 5 paise.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Department's D.O. letter of even number dated the 18th May, 1982 (copy enclosed) on the subject mentioned above and to say that, as stated therein, in order to avoid inconvenience to the public in completing transactions when 1P, 2P and 3 Paise coins are gradually withdrawn from circulation, it has become necessary to round off of all the Government and other transactions in the nearest multiple of 5 paise. Accordingly you were requested to issue suitable instructions to various Department's and **either** fix the various taxes/levies/fares collectible by you in multiples of 5 paise or to round off all the transactions to the nearest multiple of 5 paise. It has now been decided that the fixation of prices of essential commodities, insurance premium etc., should also be made in multiples of 5 paise or to round off all such transactions to the nearest multiple of 5 paise. In fact the intention is that hereafter all transactions, whether public or private, should be made in multiples of 5 paise only.

2. You are, therefore, requested to issue suitable instructions to the various Departments/Organisations/Educational and other Institutions to round off all the transactions (e.g. fees, taxes/levies/fixation of prices of essential commodities/materials/manufactured articles/services/banks and insurance transactions/fares collectible by the Government, etc., etc.) to the nearest multiple of 5 paise.
3. A copy of the instructions issued in this regard may be endorsed to this Department.
4. The receipt of this letter may please be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(B.V.Rama Rao)

Director General (Currency & Coinage)

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Dear Shri.

As you are perhaps aware, the decision of the Government of India to discontinue minting of 1P, 2P and 3 Paise coins had been announced in the Lok Sabha on 20th March 1981. A copy of the answer given in the Lok Sabha to a question in this regard is enclosed for reference. In view of that decision, the Reserve Bank of India was advised to gradually withdraw from circulation 1P, 2P and 3 P coins by not re-issuing them once these coins are received in the currence chests. In order to avoid difficulty/inconvenience to the Public in completing transactions when 1P, 2P and 3P coins are gradually withdrawn from circulation, it has become necessary to round off all the Government and other transactions to the nearest multiple of 5 paise.

2. I shall be grateful if you will please issue suitable instructions to various Departments/Organisations under you to either fix the various taxes/levies/fares collectible by you in multiples of 5 paise or to round off all the transactions to the nearest multiple of 5 paise. A copy of the instructions issued in this regard may kindly be endorsed to us also.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-
B.V.RAMA RAO.

24.6.82

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