to state:

(a) whether huge amount of loan of the public sector banks has been written off due to its non-recovery;

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- (b) whether the banks are experiencing paucity of funds as a result thereof;
- (c) if so, whether priority sectors have been provided lesser loans in the current financial year on this account;
- (d) whether the banks have urged the Government to raise some additional amount;
 - (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) It may not be correct to say that a huge amount of loan has been written off by public sector banks due to non-recovery.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Outstanding advance of all public sector banks to the priority sector during the last 3 years have shown an upward trend.
- (d) to (f). RBI have issued instructions to all commercial banks to maintain capital funds in relation to their risk weighted assets as per prescribed norms. Additional capital will be required by the banks to meet these requirements. Government have contributed a sum of Rs.700 crores in 1992-93 as additional share capital for the nationalised banks. A provision of Rs.5700 crores has also been made in the Budget for the year 1993-94 for this purpose.

Small Industries Development Bank of inidia

*506. SHRI SATYA DEO SINGH: SHRI CHETAN P.S. CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds at the disposal of the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) during the year 1991-92;
- (b) whether discussions are going on with the German financial institutions for seeking loans for the Bank; and
- (c) the amount of interest free loans made available by the Union Government to this Bank during 1991-92?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) In order to meet their disbursement targets, resources to the extent of Rs. 1168.8 crores were raised by SIDBI from various sources such as Government of India, Reserve Bank of Inida, Lines of Credit from external agencies, Loans from IDBI and other market borrowings. The balance requirement of funds was met out of the internal generations mostly representing repayment of past loans.

- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) Government of India provided interest free loan of Rs. 19.9 crore to SIDBI during the year 1991-92.

SIDBI Assistance to Gujarat

- *507. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) the amount of assistance provided in Gujarat by the Small industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) during the last two