

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND REVENUE AND BANKING (SHRI H. M. PATEL): (a) The Pay Accounts Offices (ORs), which maintain the Pay and Provident Fund Accounts of soldiers on the running ledger system, are an essential adjunct of the respective Regimental Record Offices and are generally located near them as they are inter-dependent on each other's records. The Artillery Centre and Record Office as well as the Pay Accounts Office (ORs), Artillery were originally located at Mathura. Consequent on the move of the former to Nasik Road Camp near Deolali the PAO (ORs) Artillery has also to be shifted there in public interest.

(b) No, Sir. The move of the office is to be effected in suitable phases taking into account the availability of adequate residential accommodation for the members of the staff and their families. Educational and medical facilities are also not lacking at the new station which is near Deolali and Nasik city.

(c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

Bank Credit to Sugar Mills

850. **SHRIMATI PARVATHI KRISHNAN:** Will the Minister of FINANCE AND REVENUE AND BANKING be pleased to state:

(a) whether banks have refused to give credit to sugar mills for seasonal requirement recently;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the total credit commercial banks have given to rice mills, sugar mills, jute mills, paper mills and cement factories from March 1976 to March 1977; March 1974 to March 1975 and March 1975 to March 1976?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND REVENUE AND BANKING (SHRI H. M. PATEL): (a) and (b). No specific instances of banks' refusing credit to sugar mills for their working capital requirements during the current crushing seasons have been brought to the notice of Government and Reserve Bank of India.

(c) Available data relating to outstanding credit of Scheduled Commercial Banks to the concerned manufacturing industries are set out in the table below:

(In crores of Rs.)

	Amount outstanding as on		
	April 25, 1975	March 26, 1976	March 25, 1977
Manufacturing Industry :			
1. Sugar	204	226	270
2. Jute Textile	101	110	118
3. Paper and Paper Products.	99	125	131
4. Cement	38	53	57
5. Rice Mills Flour and Dal Mills.	June 1975	Dec. 1975.	
	48	66	