

Rates of interest on terms loans for agriculture are as under :—

A. Minor irrigation and Land Development	10.0%
B. Other purpose	
(i) Small farmers	10.0%
(ii) Other farmers	12.5%

[English]

Export of Mica

784. SHRI AMARSINH RATHAWA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) the total quantity of mica exported every year and the amount involved during the last three years ;

(b) the names of the countries to which the mica is exported ; and

(c) the steps being taken to increase export of mica during the year 1985-86 ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMMERCE AND SUPPLY (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) The exports of processed mica for the last three years are as under :—

	Qty : 000) tonnes	
	Value : Rs. in	
		Crores.
Year	Qty.	Value
1982-83	11.75	21.58
1983-84	10.80	24.22
1984-85	14.40	*21.50

(April-84—Feb.85)

*Provisional

** (Source : MITCO)

(b) Mica is exported to USSR, GDR, Poland, Romania, Czechoslovakia, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Chile, France, Greece, Hong Kong, Italy, Japan, North Korea, South Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Swizerland, Syria, Taiwan,

Holland, Thailand, U.K. USA and West Germany.

(c) Mica Trading Corporation of India (MITCO) proposes to confine, in 1985-86, its efforts towards maintaining contact with foreign buyers to negotiate increased business, undertake export promotion tours, participation in trade fairs and exhibitions and publicity through Indian Missions.

World Bank aid to Various Projects in the Country

785. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have sought World Bank aid for implementing various projects in the country ;

(b) if so, the amount of World Bank aid expected to be received by the country in 1985-86 ; and

(c) the details of the projects for which World Bank aid has been sought ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) to (c). Each year the Government of India prepares a pipeline of projects which is posed to World Bank Group for assistance. The exact number of projects for which assistance can be tied up in 1985-86 and the quantum of such assistance depends upon availability of Bank Group Funds and the status of project preparation and processing and no clear picture can be given at this stage.

The World Bank's financial year is from 1st July to 30th June and the ongoing year is FY 85 for which a clear picture will emerge only after 30th of June 1985. However, the details of projects for which agreements for World Bank Group assistance have been signed in FY 1984 i.e. from 1st July 1983 to 30th June 1984 are given in the attached statement.

**Data in respect of exports of fabricated mica is not yet available.