

DTC dismissed from service for participating in the strike during March, 1988 ;

(b) the number of employees reinstated in service so far ; and

(c) the reasons for not reinstating the remaining employees and when they are likely to be reinstated ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) 3,125 employees.

(b) 2,956 employees.

(c) The remaining dismissed employees did not submit applications for reinstatement.

Value of Rupee

4262. SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the present value of a rupee taking 1971 as base year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) : The value of Indian rupee measured as the reciprocal of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Industrial workers on base 1971 works out to 18.5 paise in June, 1991 (latest available).

World Bank Assistance for Development of Sivakasi

4263. Dr. R. KANAGA GOVINDARAJULU : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether any World Bank assistance has been given to the Government of Tamil Nadu for development of Sivakasi ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof together with the projects to be undertaken ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) :

(a) and (b) Development Credit Agreement for IDA Credit equivalent to \$ 300.2 million has been signed on 16-9-1988 with World Bank for implementation of Tamil Nadu Urban Development Project. The project includes the components of sites and services, slum improvement programme, traffic management and transport. The Project also finances a municipal urban development fund to support municipal services through financing of equipment and civil works for the maintenance and delivery of services like water supply, road, storm water drainage, solid waste management, market, shops, public health, truck terminals and bus stands, road construction etc. Sivakasi is one of the local bodies which has access to the fund for provision of these municipal services.

[Translation]

Loans for Agro-Based Industries in Ratnagiri District (Maharashtra)

4264. SHRI GOVINDRAO NIKAM : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether banks provide loan upto seventy five per cent to the agro-based industries ;

(b) if so, the number of applicants to whom loans have been sanctioned for dairy development and poultry farming in the Ratnagiri district of Maharashtra ; and

(c) the number of applications rejected by the nationalised banks and the reasons therefor ?