

PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) and (b):- In view of the recognised need for ensuring harmony between fiscal and monetary policies, the Government and the Reserve Bank of India work in close consultation with each other. Their relationship is motivated by a spirit of mutual understanding and support in the interest of economic growth with stability. The financial reforms initiated by the Government visualise a stronger role for the Reserve Bank of India in the management of the financial sector.

### **Credit from Germany**

786. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Germany has offered a credit of Rs. 150 crores at a very low rate of interest with a 10 year moratorium and repayment to be made over 50 year; and

(b) if so, the decision taken by the Union Government on this offer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) and (b). A Financial Cooperation Agreement providing DM 427.304 million (approx Rs. 8628.37 million) for the year 1992 has been signed between the Government of Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of India on 12.10.92. This amount comprises a soft loan of DM 296.604 million (approx. Rs. 1124.638 million) and export credit of DM 75.0 million (approx. Rs. 5988.968 million) grant assistance of DM 55.7 million (approx. Rs. 1514.385 million). Soft loan will be provided at the interest rate of 0.75% per annum with the repayment period of 40 years including 10 year moratorium.

### **Bus Shelters**

787. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT:  
SHRI PANDURANG PUNDLIK  
FUNDKAR:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of roofless and dilapidated DTC bus shelters in Delhi;

(b) the steps taken to repair the dilapidated shelters;

(c) the number of D.T.C. bus stops where shelters are yet to be provided; and

(d) the steps being taken to provide shelters on these bus stops?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b). Nearly 129 bus queue shelters are in damaged condition. The repair and maintenance of bus queue shelters is a continuous process and DTC undertakes the work of repair and maintenance on priority basis, and depending upon the availability of funds.

(c) and (d). There are nearly 5500 bus stops in the city operational area of which DTC have provided permanent bus queue shelters at about 1836 bus stops. It is not feasible to construct shelters at all the bus stops due to paucity of space and set-back constraints.

### **Import of Rubber**

788. SHRI. P.C. THOMAS:  
SHRI DALA K.M. MATHEW:  
SHRI RAJEER SINGH:  
DR. LAL BAHADUR RAWAL:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state: