availed by all banks in the State during the period.

NRIs Conference in New Delhi

- 8. SHRI B. DEVARAJAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Second International Conference on NRIs was organised by the NRIs Welfare Society of India in New Delhi recently;
 - (b) if so, the details and outcome thereof;
- (c) whether any memorandum has been submitted to to the Government by them;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the reaction of the Government thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND DEPUTY MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND DEPUTY MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH):
(a) to (e). The NRI Welfare Society of India held the Second International Conference of NRIs on 21st January, 1991 in New Delhi. A copy of the speech delivered by the General Secretary of the Society and a memorandum were received in Government and examined. Government, from time to time, reviews the policies and procedures with a view to removing irritants for NRI investors, based on suggestions received from NRI's and NRI Organisations.

[Translation]

Banks Loans for Industries

- 9. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether three-day entrepreneurial development camps were organised in

Madhubani and Darbhanga districts of Bihar during 1982-83 under the joint auspices of small scale industries departments of Central and State Governments wherein the representatives of nationalised banks also participated;

- (b) if so, what was the contribution of the banks to promote the manufacturing units;
- (c) whether such camps are being organised during the current year also in the said districts:
- (d) whether Government propose to formulate any policy for sanctioning loans to the small scale and self-employment industries through banks on experimental basis in the said districts; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE MINISTER AND DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) to (e). IDBI has reported that it had not organised any EDP Camps in Madhubani and Darbhanga districts of Bihar. However, IDBI has been supporting EDPs, including EDPs, for women, in various States with the main objective of developing entrepreneurs enabling them to establish their own enterprises and in turn to create more job opportunities. IDBI has so far supported 67 EDPs at a total cost of Rs. 21.92 lacs in Bihar upto the end of March, 1990.

In Madhubani District, IDBI has supported in 1989-90 an EDP for women at a cost of Rs. 0.63 lacs, benefiting 25 trainees. Similarly, in Darbhanga District, IDBI supported one general EDP benefiting 49 trainees at a cost of Rs. 0.40 lacs, in 1988-89.

In the context of priority accorded to development of tiny and village industries for