

- (iv) existence of exemptions from commodity taxes for various socio-economic purposes which would break the chain of tax credit in respect of inputs and thus create distortions;
- (v) administrative requirements, in some cases, leading to collection of the levy on inputs rather than the finished products.

Five days week in Banking Industry

2859. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL :
SHRI V. S. KRISHNA IYER :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have examined the feasibility of having a 5-day week in the banking industry on the lines of the Central Government Offices;

(b) whether the matter has been taken up with the Reserve Bank of India;

(c) its impact on customer service; and

(d) the stage at which the matter stands at present ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) There is no such proposal under consideration of Government at present.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Taking over of Visvesvaraya Iron and Steel Limited

2860. SHRI NARSING RAO SURYAWANSI : Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state the measures taken or proposed to takeover the sick steel industries viz. Visvesvaraya Iron and Steel Limited ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH) : Government have received a proposal from the State Government of Karnataka asking the Government of India to take over Visvesvaraya Iron and Steel Limited (VISL). The matter is under examination.

Per capita advances made by Nationalised Banks to States

2861. SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the per capita advances made by the nationalised banks during the last three years to the different States, year-wise, State-wise and Union Territory-wise details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : State-wise per capita advances made by all Public Sector Banks as on the last Friday of December 1982, December 1983 and December 1984 are set out in the statement given below :

Statement

State-wise per capita advances of Public Sector Banks (S. B. I. Group + 20 Nationalised Banks)

State/Union ferritory	Per Capita Advances (Rs.)		
	As on the last Friday of		
	December 1982	December 1983	December 1984
1	2	3	4
Andhra Pradesh	354	428	570
Assam	112	135	191
Bihar	127	148	172
Gujarat	557	621	749