

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of Shipping Companies have drawn excessive grants/loans from the Shipping Development Fund Committee ;

(b) whether there is any proposal to waive the total amount of these arrears of the shipping companies;

(c) if not, whether some companies have not repaid their dues to SDFC ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken to recover the same ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) and (b) . No, Sir.

(c) Yes Sir.

(d) The details of loans sanctioned, disbursed, repaid and outstanding by SDFC as on 31.3.1986, alongwith amounts overdue from various shipping companies are as follows :

	<i>Rupees/crores</i>			
	<i>Rupee</i>	<i>SAFAU-</i>	<i>Guaran-</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>Loan</i>	<i>NS</i>	<i>tee</i>	
<i>Sanctioned</i>	1527	494	1479	3500
<i>Disbursed</i>	1252	471	1431	3154
<i>Repaid</i>	429	93	1000	1522
<i>Outstanding Overdue</i>	823	378	431	1632
(a) Public Sector	201.38	8.33	NIL	209.71
(b) Private Sector	176.82	47.58	19.52	243.92
	378.20	55.91	19.52	453.63

Steps taken by SDFC to recover the dues from defaulting shipping companies include issuance of notices to all defaulting shipping companies to repay the defaulted amounts and foreclosure of mortgages against the ships of the companies and getting them sold through Courts and adjusting the sale proceeds towards the defaulted amounts.

[*Translation*]

Shortage of Anti-Rabies Vaccine in Uttar Pradesh

167. DR. CHANDRA SHEKHAR TRIPATHI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the acute shortage of anti-rabies vaccine in the State of Uttar Pradesh, particularly in Basti District ;

(b) if so, the number of persons died due to non-availability of this vaccine in different districts of the said State :

(c) whether Government propose to take any effective steps to ensure easy availability of this vaccine ; and

(d) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) and (b). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The anti-rabies vaccine produced in the country is adequate to meet the demand.

(d) Does not arise.

[*English*]

Festival of India

168. SHRI S.G. GHOLAP : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government organised Festival of India in USA and France in 1985-86; if so, what was its impact and response to it ;

(b) whether it is proposed to organise such Festivals in different regions of India; and

(b) If so, the details thereof?