@Measured as the reciprocal of the Consumer price Index for Industrial Workers.

Loss Suffered by State Bank of Indore Due to Guarantee Given by its Officers

2095. SHRI RAJ KUMAR RAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 4910 on 26 August, 1987 regarding loss to State Bank of Indore due to guarantee given by its Officers and state:

- (a) the amount involved in connection of giving guarantee for eleven firms by this branch; and
- (b) the action taken against the officers responsible therefor and names of such officers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANAR-

^{*}Latest available.

DHANA POOJARY): (a) and (b). State Bank of Indore has reported that the amount involved in the guarantee issued by its Connaught Place, New Delhi Branch during the period 1-7-86 to 30-7-87 on behalf of 11 firms aggregated to Rs. 1.66 crores. The Bank has further reported that investigations into the lapses in issuing these guarantees are in process. The action to be taken could be determined only after the investigations are completed.

Production of Silk

2096. SHRI AMAL DATTA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to refer to the reply given to Started Question No. 144 on 6 March, 1987 regarding competition in inter-national silk market and state:

- (a) whether the efforts to improve the quality of silk through superior strains of Mulberry and Silk worms have been started; and
- (b) if so, since when and the details of the steps taken so far and results achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) CSB has established two full-fledged Research Institutes viz., CSR & Tl, Mysore (Karnataka) and Berhampore (W.B.) for extending R & D support for the development of mulberry sericulture. The Research Institutes have evolved high-yielding strains of mulberry food plants and highly productive silk worm breeds, the details of which are as under:
 - (i) The CSR & TI, Mysore has evolved 5 superior highly productive mulberry strains viz. S30, S34, S36, S41 and S54. After multilocational trials these varieties have shown an improvement of 40-70% more leaf yield over local K2 variety of mulberry strains. As regards silkworm races this institute has evolved highly productive superior biveltine breeds, such as NB7, NB18, NB4D2, CCI etc., and PCN hybrid for dry farming conditions.

(ii) The CSR & TI, Berhampore has also evolved new high-yielding mulberry varieties viz. \$1635, S1726, S1708. C1730 C1733. After multilocational trials these varieties have shown an improvement of approx. 21 % more leaf yield over existing S₁ and S799 varieties. This Institute has also evolved an improved silkworm hybrid viz., NXG race, a combination of multivoltine NISTRI with bivoltine G race, which is comparatively better than traditional races.

As a result of research findings, the average production of raw silk per hectare which stood at 25 kgs. only has been stepped upto 32.5 kgs. in a span of 10 years, while cutting down the renditta from 17 to 10.

Target for Garment Export

2097. SHRI JAGANNATH PAT-NAIK: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the total targets fixed to be achieved for the export of garment during the last three years including the current year, yearwise;
- (b) the names of the countries continued to be the major markets for Indian garments; and
- (c) foreign exchange earned during last three years, year-wise and country-wise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) The targets fixed for export of readymade garments during the last three years were as indicated below:

(Rs. in crores)

| 1985-86 | 1000 |
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| 1986-87 | 1200 |
| 1,987-88 | 1450 |
| | |

(b) and (c). A Statement is given below.