

cial emphasis on identifying specific items;

- ii) identifying opportunities for technology transfer and industrial cooperation; and
- (iii) identifying sourcing possibilities for exports of commodities to Canada and vice-versa.

A large number of items for exports from India like engineering goods, automobile ancillaries, electronic components, computer software, agromarine products have been identified and similarly, for imports from Canada, items like electronic technologies, sophisticated electrical components, tele-communications equipment and technologies have been identified as potential areas for increasing the bilateral trade.

#### **Frauds in Banks**

3057. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to reply refer to the given on 29 July, 1988 to be Unstarred Question No. 540 regarding frauds in public sector banks and state:

(a) the number of employees of each bank against whom action was initiated and/or penal action was taken in respect of cases of fraud;

(b) whether each bank balances its books on a daily, monthly and annual basis;

(c) whether each branch reconciles inter-branch account on a regular basis; and

(d) penalties provided in the instructions

issued by R.B.V.I. and adopted by the banks in such cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) Information regarding the number of delinquent bank employees who have been convicted/awarded punishment and against whom departmental action has been initiated/prosecution launched for their involvement in frauds during the years 1985, 1986 and 1987 as reported by 28 public Sector Banks to Reserve Bank of India, is given in Statement below.

(b) Reserve Bank of India has intimated that the periodicity prescribed for balancing of various books, differs from book to book, as also from bank to bank, depending upon the particular needs, usages and customs prevalent in each bank.

(c) While banks are required to reconcile their inter-branch transactions on a regular basis, it is not always possible to do so, due to a number of reasons.

(d) The nature and quantum of punishment to be awarded to an employees is decided by the banks themselves and is to be determined keeping in mind the seriousness of the offence/irregularity committed by the individual and the establishment of the lapse/irregularity. RBI has advised the banks to take a serious view of the irregularities committed by their staff and that they should be awarded punishments befitting the seriousness of the irregularity. Banks have also been advised to ensure quick disposal of departmental enquiries.

## STATEMENT

| Sl.No. | Name of the Bank      | No. of employees convicted/ awarded punishment for their involvement in fraud cases. |             |             | No. of employees against whom departmental proceedings/ prosecution have been launched for their involvement in fraud cases and are pending before Disciplinary Authorities/Courts |
|--------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|        |                       | 3                                                                                    | 4           | 5           |                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1      | 2                     | 3                                                                                    | 4           | 5           | 6                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|        |                       | <u>1985</u>                                                                          | <u>1986</u> | <u>1987</u> | <u>1987</u>                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 1.     | Central Bank of India | 20                                                                                   | 30          | 28          | 81                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2.     | Bank of India         | 31                                                                                   | 13          | 20          | 41                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 3.     | Punjab National Bank  | 34                                                                                   | 43          | 40          | 79                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 4.     | Bank of Baroda        | 37                                                                                   | 29          | 26          | 113                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 5.     | UCO Bank              | 27                                                                                   | 21          | 19          | 71                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 6.     | Canara Bank           | 56                                                                                   | 36          | 96          | 87                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 7.     | United Bank of India  | 5                                                                                    | 18          | 27          | 91                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 8.     | Dena Bank             | 28                                                                                   | 49          | 39          | 90                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 9.     | Syndicate Bank        | 24                                                                                   | 28          | 44          | 77                                                                                                                                                                                 |

| 1   | 2                              | 3   | 4   | 5   | 6   |
|-----|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 10. | Union Bank of India            | 15  | 19  | 9   | 13  |
| 11. | Allahabad Bank                 | 23  | 24  | 36  | 36  |
| 12. | Indian Bank                    | 56  | 24  | 121 | 59  |
| 13. | Bank of Maharashtra            | 28  | 14  | 5   | 18  |
| 14. | Indian Overseas Bank           | 34  | 55  | 53  | 74  |
| 15. | Punjab & Sind Bank             | 16  | 25  | 34  | 74  |
| 16. | Oriental Bank of Commerce      | 17  | 3   | 8   | 13  |
| 17. | New Bank of India              | 3   | 30  | 32  | 67  |
| 18. | Corporation Bank               | 5   | 12  | 11  | 43  |
| 19. | Andhra Bank                    | 20  | 27  | 25  | 30  |
| 20. | Vijaya Bank                    | 28  | 11  | 18  | 37  |
| 21. | State Bank of India            | 218 | 173 | 261 | 581 |
| 22. | State Bank of Bikaner & Jaipur | 19  | 21  | 13  | 25  |
| 23. | State bank of Hyderabad        | 7   | 5   | 44  | 56  |
| 24. | State Bank of Indore           | 7   | 3   | 8   | 48  |

| 1   | 2                        | 3  | 4  | 5 | 6  |
|-----|--------------------------|----|----|---|----|
| 25. | State Bank of Mysore     | 10 | 4  | 5 | 22 |
| 26. | State Bank of Patiala    | 12 | 5  | 6 | 16 |
| 27. | State Bank of Saurashtra | 1  | 1  | 5 | 8  |
| 28. | State Bank of Travancore | 12 | 11 | 8 | 19 |

(Data provisional)