

[English]

**Flow of Bank Credit Towards Minorities**

2210. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN:  
Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government with the help of the Reserve Bank of India have instituted a mechanism for monitoring the flow of bank credit towards the minorities;

(b) if so, the percentage of total loan sanctioned and released by the banking system, sanctioned and released in favour of loanees' belonging to the minorities, in the country as a whole, State-wise and bank-wise during 1988; and

(c) if the above data are not available, the corresponding figure for the districts of minority concentration as identified, district-wise and as a whole, with the percentage of

minority population in each district, community-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) The Reserve Bank of India has advised banks to submit data relating to priority sector advances granted by them to specified minority communities on quarterly basis in a revised format with effect from quarter ended December, 1988. The new reporting system gives cumulative data in respect of 40 identified districts and also for the country as a whole.

(b) and (c). Reserve Bank of India has reported that the data reporting system does not generate State-wise/District-wise/Block-wise information. consolidated position in respect of priority sector advances granted by the public sector banks to the specified minority communities in all the districts including 40 identified districts as at the end of June 1988 is given below:

	<i>No. of Accounts (In lakhs)</i>	<i>Balance outstanding (Amount in Rs. crores)</i>
	1	2
Sikhs	9.19	1297.24
Muslims	25.25	1328.30
Christians	8.33	469.59
Zerastrians	0.05	16.49
Neo-Buddhists	1.00	46.35
<b>Total</b>	<b>43.82</b>	<b>3157.97</b>

The priority sector advances to minority communities in 40 identified districts by public sector banks and amount outstanding as on June, 1988 are as under:

	<i>No. of Accounts (In lakhs)</i>	<i>Balance outstanding (Amount in Rs. crores)</i>
Sikhs	0.42	64.84
Muslims	8.13	367.49
Christians	1.04	65.13
Zerastrains	0.01	4.11
Neo-Buddhists	0.08	4.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>9.68</b>	<b>505.82</b>

**Restoration of Narrow Gauge Sector on  
Vadodara Division**

2211. SHRI RANJITSINGH GAEKWAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state.

(a) whether train services on Narrow Gauge Sections on Vadodara Division in Gujarat have been suspended,

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor.

(c) whether in view of difficulties being faced by the public of this underdeveloped area, Government propose to restore train services on these sections; and

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

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) and (b). 71 Narrow Gauge trains were cancelled on Vadodara Division due to farmers' agitation in March '87.

(c) and (d). Looking to the traffic requirements, 46 trains have been restored.

**E.M.U. Service on Virar-Surat-Vadodara  
and Ahmedabad Route**

2212. SHRI RANJITSINGH GAEKWAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the engineering-cum-traffic survey for introduction of Electric Multiple Unit type services on Virar-Surat-Vadodara-Ahmedabad section has been completed;

(b) if so, the cost involved; and

(c) if not, the time schedule for completion of the survey?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The survey will be completed in 1989-90.

[Translation]

**Kota-Allahabad-Bhopal Route**

2213. SHRI SHANTI DHARIWAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state: