

in West Bengal amounted respectively to Rs. 137.40 crores, Rs. 232.89 crores and Rs. 8.54 crores. The performance of banks in this regard is reviewed from time to time in different forums and remedial action where called for is taken in consultation with all concerned including State Government.

#### FUNCTIONING OF RURAL BANKS IN BIHAR

3498. SHRIMATI MADHURI SINGH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that rural banks are not functioning in several districts in Bihar;

(b) if so, the number of districts having rural banks and whether there is a proposal for opening a rural bank in all the districts of the State; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) to (c) At present 17 Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) covering 26 out of 31 districts are functioning in the State of Bihar. Two more districts namely Patna and Bhagalpur, have been further identified for establishment of new Regional Rural Banks.

#### SETTING UP OF SPECIAL CELL BY IDBI FOR DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIALLY BACKWARD DISTRICTS

3499. SHRIMATI MADHURI SINGH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Industrial Development Bank of India has set up a special cell to take speedy and effective steps for the development of industrially backward districts in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) and (b) The Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) has set up a cell for arranging through Technical Consultancy Organisations (TCOs) industrial potential

surveys of 25 of the 83 industrially backward districts identified by the Government. The ECOs would identify, on a priority basis, industrial potential in small, medium and large scale sectors on the basis of natural and human resources. The immediate improvement needed in basic infra-structural facilities would also be identified. This exercise includes arranging financial, technical and administrative assistance to specific projects where necessary.

#### EXPORT OF COFFEE SEEDS

3500. SHRI N. DENNIS : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total quantity of coffee seeds exported from India to foreign countries during the period 1980-81 and 1981-82;

(b) the countries to which exported;

(c) the amount for which exported;

(d) the foreign exchange earnings on that account; and

(e) the details of exports made by private sector and public sector ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) to (d) The quantity and value of coffee exported from India during 1980-81 and 1981-82 are as under :—

	Quantity (Tonnes)	Value (Rs./crores)
1980-81 . . . . .	89270	215.77
1981-82 . . . . .	81220	162.20

Indian Coffee is exported to various consuming countries around the world in North America, Western Europe, Eastern Europe, Middle East, South East Asia etc.

(e) The direct exports made by Coffee Board and exports made by private exporters are as follows :

	(in tonnes)	
	Quantity exported 1980-81	1981-82
By Coffee Board		
through Direct Sales	48314	39588
By Private Exporters	40956	41632
Total . . . . .	89270	81220