

aided by the U.S. Government and to what extent the aid will be for each of the projects?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE  
(SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a)

Project	Amount of assistance (\$ Million)
1. Maharashtra Irrigation Technology and Management	47.00
2. Maharashtra Social Forestry	30.00
3. Integrated Rural Health & Population	4.05
	81.05

**American firm desire for trade links with India**

4268. SHRI B. V. DESAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether as many as 20 American firms have expressed their desire to establish trade links with India;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that some of them are keen on import of goods like carpets and rugs etc.;

(c) if so, what are the firms which have shown keen interest to build up export links and whether Government have approved their proposals; and

(d) if not, by what time the same is likely to be done?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): (a) to (d). U.S.A is an important market for Indian exports. A large number of inquiries, therefore, from U.S. firms desirous of establishing trade links with India are received from time to time by various Indian firms. Besides, proposals for foreign collaboration from U.S. firms are also received.

to (c). Yes, Sir. Three agreements for a total development assistance of \$ 81.05 million were signed with the United States Agency for International Development on 31-8-1982. The projects for which this assistance has been made available are as follows:—

During January-June, 1982 there were 63 such proposals out of which Government's approval was issued in 52 cases.

**Study on Black Money**

4269. SHRI B. V. DESAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that mandatory purchase of undervalued real estate by a public corporation has been suggested in a new study on 'Black Money';

(b) whether a study by the Indian Institute of Public Administration was conducted;

(c) if so, what are the main points of the study made;

(d) whether Government have taken any action in regard to the suggestions made by the study report; and

(e) what are the measures being taken to combat evils of black money?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PATTABHIRAMA RAO): (a) to (c). The Indian Institute of Public Admi-