

branch at Mair, in District Hamirpur of Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the date on which the licence was given and the date on which the branch has been opened; and

(c) if not, the likely date by which

(i) licence would be given; and

(ii) the branch opened and the reasons for delay ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) :

(a) to (c) The Punjab National Bank has reported that a licence was issued to it by the Reserve Bank of India on 10-11-1983 for opening its branch at Mair, District Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh. The bank is making necessary arrangements to open this branch expeditiously.

Opening of Branches of State Bank of India in Himachal Pradesh

2917. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHER : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the State Bank of India has proposed to the Reserve bank of India for opening of any new branches of banks in Himachal Pradesh after conducting a survey during the past three years including the current financial year;

(b) if so, the names of the places, district-wise for which such proposals were made;

(c) the names of such among them, where the licences have since been given and the banks opened; and

(d) the names of the places where the licences have been given but branches have not opened alongwith the reasons for delay and the likely date of opening in each cases ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) :

(a) and (b) The State Bank of India had reported that it had during the period January 1981 to November 1983 submitted 46 applications to the Reserve Bank of India for opening branches in Himachal Pradesh. District-wise and Centre wise details are set out in Statement-I.

(c) and (d) Licences were given to the State Bank of India in respect of 14 centres. The bank had already utilised 12 licences and in the case of one more licence also, the bank is making necessary arrangements to utilise the same before the end of 1983. The remaining one licence has been surrendered by the bank to the Punjab National Bank. Districtwise and Centre wise details in this regard are given in Statement-II

Statement I

<i>District</i>	<i>Name of Centre</i>
	<i>During 1981</i>
Solan	1. Budhi 2. Nalagarh 3. Barotiwala
Simla	4. Kholighat 5. Kupri Milthy 6. Rohru 7. Main Market-Sanjauli
Hamirpur	8. Kangoo 9. Sujanpur Tira 10. Nadaun
Chamba	11. Nini Khud
Kangra	12. Demtal 13. Nagrota Bagwan
Mandi	14. Joginder Nagar
Una	15. Una 16. Mehatpur
Kinnaur	17. Peo
Kargil	18. Bhagunag

<i>During 1982</i>		<i>District</i>	<i>Name of Centre</i>
Sirmur	1. Bagthan	Chamba	16. Parel
	2. Kafota		17. Raipur
Lahaul & Spiti	3. Tabo	Hamirpur	18. Bara
	4. Rohru	Mandi	19. Joginer Nagar
Simla	5. Sheelghat	Solan	20. Barotiwala
	6. Bhutti	Una	21. Una
	7. Dhalli	<i>During 1983 (up to November)</i>	
	8. Thanddhr		
	9. Chhota Simla		
	Kangra	10. Baijnath	Simla
11. Tira		Kangra	2. Jutog Cantt,
12. Macleolgan			3. Medical College
13. Damtal			4. Dhalli
Bilaspur	14. Kandraul		Hamirpur
	15. Gwalthai		6. Sujampur Tira
			7. Nadaun

Statement-II

<i>District</i>	<i>Name of Centre</i>	<i>Date of opening of the branch</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
Bilaspur	1. Kandraul	12-1-83	—
Chamba	2. Naini Khud	28-6-83	—
	3. Parel	21-1-83	—
	4. Raipur	—	Licence surrendered in favour of Punjab National Bank
Hamirpur	5. Kangoo	10-5-82	—
	6. Bara	7-2-83	—
Sirmur	7. Kafota	19-7-83	—
Simla	8. Kholighat	28-7-82	—
	9. Kupri Milthy	26-6-82	—
	10. Rohru	11-4-83	—
	11. Sheelghat	20-10-83	—
	12. Bhutti	November 83	—
	13. Bahli	—	Efforts are being made by the State Bank of India to open the branch before 31-12-83
Lahaul & Spiti	14. Tabo	15-10-82	—