

	1981	1982	%Change	1983	%Change
Singapore	2829	2957	4.5	2854	-3.5
Sri Lanka	371	407	9.8	327	-19.6
Malaysia	1660	2093	26.1	1321 \angle b	4.9 \angle d
Hong Kong	2535	2609	2.9	1735 \angle c	3.8 \angle d

\angle a including nationals from Pakistan and Bangladesh.

\angle b relates to January-June.

\angle c relates to January-August.

\angle d compared to corresponding period of previous year.

Small Loans to Poor through Nationalised Banks

2294. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA
Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased
to state :

(a) whether Government have launched
a programme for giving out small loans not
exceeding Rs 1000/- each to the poor
through nationalised banks to help the poor
in securing self-employment by way of
purchase of implements, etc. for carrying
out their profession or craft, so as to be
able to cross the poverty line;

(b) if so, the details of the programme ;
and

(c) the criteria and guidelines to be
followed in the matter and the targets,
if any, fixed under the programme ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE
MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANAR-
DHANA POOJARI) : (a) There is no
special scheme or programme as such
launched by the Government of this kind.

(b) and (c) Dose not arise.

Assessment by U. S. Agencies for International Development (US AID) of aid given by India

2295. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA :
Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased
to state :

(a) whether the U.S. Agency for Inter-
national Development (US AID) has made
an assessment of the aid given by India to
the proper nations of the third world ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI-
PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Dose not arise.

Suggestions made by Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry to save Textile Industry

2296. SHRI MOHAN LAL PATEL :
SHRI N. K. SHEJWALKAR : Will
the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to
state:

(a) whether the Federation of Indian
Chamber of Commerce and Industry has
expressed concern over the threat of nationa-
lisation of more textile mills in the
country;

(b) whether the FICCI has made certain
suggestions to save textile industry; if so, the
details there of;

(c) whether Government are consider-
ing to announce a Policy package for
textile industry; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and how
far it will be helpful in saving the textile
industry?