

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRI K. S. RAMASWAMY) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Information is given in the statement laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-471/71]

Loans Advanced to Small Scale Industries by Nationalised Banks in Tamilnadu

2625. SHRI BHUVARAHAN : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the amount of loans and advances so far given to small scale industries by the nationalised banks in Tamil Nadu during the last two years ; and

(b) whether there is any target fixed for each Bank for giving loans and advances to small scale industries ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YESHWANTRAO CHAVAN) : (a) Upto the end of December 1970, figures of advances extended by the nationalised banks to small scale industries in Tamil Nadu are given below :

No. of accounts :	9709
*Amount Outstanding : Rs. 22.36 crores.	

*Includes advances to industrial estates also.

(b) Nationalised Banks do not allocate amounts separately for each category. Under the liberalised procedure for giving credit since nationalisation the banks are endeavouring to meet the credit requirements of the small-scale sector in a increasing measure.

Students Sent Abroad for Higher Studies

2626. SHRIMATI BHARGAVI THANKAPPAN : Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of students sent abroad for higher studies during last three years, year-wise and state-wise ;

(b) the number of students belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes ; and

(c) the criteria regarding the selection of students for higher studies abroad ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAVA) : (a) and (b). A statement is attached

(c) There are two scholarship schemes for studies abroad administered by the Ministry of Education and Social Welfare. The first relates to the offers made by foreign Governments/Agencies. For this the only criterion of selection is merit. The second scheme which is financed entirely by the Govt. of India is open to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Denotified Tribes students only. Nine scholarships under this scheme are available every year. Though 9 candidates are selected every year, it is not always possible to find placement for them in their selected subjects in foreign countries and hence the shortfall during the three years. It is also to be noted that during the last three years one Scheduled Caste candidate was selected on merit basis for scheme number one mentioned above.

Statement

The following number of scholars were sent abroad for higher studies during the last three years :

Year	No. of student sent abroad and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes amongst them		
	Total No.	S.C. & S.T. amongst them	
		S.C.	S.T.
1968-69	326	6	2
1969-70	323	5	6
1970-71	300	4	1