

(8) छोट और सीमांत कृषकों के ऋण प्रस्तावों के सम्बन्ध में कानूनी खर्च वार्षिक बजटों द्वारा स्वयं किया जाता है ।

Development of Ladakhi Handicrafts

9288. SHRI KUSHOK BAKULA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have evolved any scheme for development of age old Ladakhi handicraft; and

(b) if so, the main features thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH):

(a) and (b). Jammu & Kashmir Government are operating the following schemes for development of Ladakhi handicrafts:—

- (1) Spinning of Pashmina and Shawl.
- (2) Tibetan Type of Carpet Weaving.
- (3) Knitting by hand operated machine.
- (4) Namdah Making.

70 trainees are presently receiving training under these schemes. The State Government earmarked a sum of Rs. 1.25 lakhs during 1974-75 and have also provided Rs. 1.25 lakhs in 1975-76 for the aforesaid training schemes.

Functioning of Branches of SBI in Rural Areas of Goa

9289. SHRI PURUSHOTTAM KAKODKAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of branches of State Bank of India functioning in

rural areas of Goa; and

(b) the number of new branches to be opened in the near future and the factors taken into account for opening of new branches by the bank?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) As at the end of December, 1974, State Bank of India had 10 offices in the Union Territory of Goa, Daman and Diu located at rural centres.

(b) Branch expansion work is undertaken by the commercial banks, including State Bank of India, within the framework of three year rolling plans. Reserve Bank of India have reported that as on December 31, 1974, State Bank of India had on hand licence for opening one office at a rural centre in Goa. In addition, applications from State Bank of India to open 4 more rural offices in Goa are currently under consideration of the Reserve Bank of India.

Bank Credit Due for Repayment during Current Financial Year

9290 SHRI C. JANARDHANAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the increases in the aggregate bank credit, aggregate bank deposits and the outstanding bank credit due for repayment during the current financial year as compared to the preceding year, and the percentage of increase in each case?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): Deposits and Advances of all scheduled commercial