

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government purpose to review the said scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

IDA LOAN

2691. SHRI FRANCISCO SARDINHA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of IDA loan from World Bank sanctioned to India recently;

(b) the rate of interest payable on this loans;

(c) whether the Government have submitted its projects to the World Bank for IDA credit during 1999-2000; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI YASHWANT SINHA) : (a) The details of IDA loans sanctioned by the World Bank during April 1998 to February 1999 is as follows:

S.No.	Name of Project	Amount (US \$ M)
1.	Orissa Health System Development	76.4
2.	Women and Child Development	300
3.	Maharashtra Health System Development	134
4.	A.P. Eco. Restructeering IDA Part	241.9
5.	UP- Diversified Agricultural Support. IDA Part	50.0
6.	UP-Sodic Land Raceamation	194.1

(b) IDA loans are interest free loans but a service charge of 0.5 % is levied on the disbursed portion.

(c) and (d) Finalisation of projects with the assistance of World Bank is an on-going process and at any given time there are projects in the pipeline. At present there are a number of pipeline projects in Health, Irrigation, Agriculture, Urban Development and Social Sectors. These projects are at varying stages of consideration by the World Bank.

[Translation]

New Steel Policy

2692. SHRI ANAND RATNA MAURYA :
SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL :
MAJ. GEN. BHUVAN CHANDRA KHANDURI
A.V.S.M. :
SHRI BHERU LAL MEENA :

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have formulated any New Steel Policy to make viable all the steel plants in the public sector; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI RAMESH BAIS) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise, in view of (a) above.

[English]

Revival of Sick Mills

2693. SHRI MOHAN RAWALE : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have identified 34 sick mills for revival on Gujrat package pattern of golden handshake for which the Government need Rs. 2000 crores;

(b) if so, the criteria adoped for such an identification and the manner in which this amount is likely to be arranged;

(c) whether there is any plan under consideration to invite private sector for this; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA) : (a) to (d) On the basis of a unit-wise viability study made by NTC, Government is considering a revised turn around strategy for the viable subsidiaries of NTC alongwith with viable mills under them, keeping in view the BIFR norm of the networth of these mills turning positive within the period prescribed by BIFR. The interest of the workers will be kept in view in the revival plan.

Bhatt Committee on Tiny and Small Scale Industries

2694. SHRI G.M. BANATWALLA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Bhatt Committee in 1970's had recommended that a separate legislation be enacted for the tiny and small scale units in the country; and