

[English]

**Loans to Small Industrial Units**

1673. SHRI MAHESH KUMAR M. KANODIA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of small industrial units in Gujarat to which loans have been provided by the Nationalised banks during 1994, 1995 and 1996; and

(b) the amount of loans provided during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) and (b) The data reporting system of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) does not generate information in the manner asked for. However, loans provided by the nationalised banks to small scale industries in Gujarat outstanding as on the last Friday of March 1993, 1994 and 1995 (latest available) were as under:

(Rs. crores)

Last Friday of	No. of accounts	Amount outstanding
March 1993	115630	1400.45
March 1994	106571	1542.25
March 1995	107831	1938.26

**Investment Made by Nationalised Banks in N.E. Region**

1674. SHRI BADAL CHOUDHURY : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount of investment of the Nationalised Banks and Financial Institutions, operating in North-

Eastern Region for the development of industries in the States of the said Region during 1995-96 and 1996-97, State-wise and Bank-wise; and

(b) whether the Government have any plan to liberalise the terms and conditions for grant of loan by Nationalised Banks and Financial Institutions to industries set up in the States of North-Eastern Region?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) and (b) The loans of the public sector banks to SSI sector in North-Eastern States outstanding as on the last Friday of March 1995, as reported by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) are as given below:-

State	Rs. in Crore
1. Assam	219.04
2. Manipur	28.24
3. Meghalaya	8.31
4. Nagaland	19.27
5. Tripura	17.33
6. Arunachal Pradesh	4.32
7. Mizoram	5.35

RBI have reported that the present information system does not generate the bank-wise break up of State-wise data. The State-wise and Institution-wise details of assistance disbursed by all India Financial Institutions in the States of North Eastern Region during the years 1995-96 and 1996-97 as furnished by Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) are given in the Statement attached. The report submitted by an Expert Committee appointed by the Union Government is at various stages of scrutiny.

**Statement***Assistance disbursed by All India Financial Institutions to North-Eastern-Region*

State	1995-96									
	IDBI	IFCI	ICICI	SIDBI	IBI	SCICI	RCTC	GIC	AIFIs	
Arunachal Pradesh	0.40			1.05	1.02				2.47	IDBI : Industrial Development Bank of India
Assam	43.84	15.19	29.30	17.45	13.36		0.51	0.05	119.70	IFCI : Industrial Finance Corporation of India
Manipur	2.29								2.29	
Meghalaya				1.97					1.97	ICICI : Industrial Credit and Investment Corporation of India
Mizoram				0.44					0.44	

State	IDBI	IFCI	ICICI	SIDBI	IBI	SCICI	RCTC	GIC	AIFIs
Nagaland				1.13	3.90				5.03 SIDBI: Small Industries Development Bank of India
Tripura				3.39					3.39
NER	46.53	15.19	29.30	25.43	18.28	0.00	0.51	0.05	135.29 SCICI: Shipping Credit and Investment Corporation of India
<b>1996-97</b>									
Arunachal Pradesh				0.90					0.90 RCTC: Risk Capital & Technology Finance Corporation
Assam	25.30	107.46	90.28	6.49	5.70	6.84			242.07 GIC : General Insurance Corporation of India
Manipur				2.06					2.06
Meghalaya				4.36					4.36 AIFIs : All India Financial Institutions
Mizoram				0.94					0.94
Nagaland	0.17		7.54	1.25	0.40				9.36
Tripura				4.71					4.71
NER	25.47	107.46	97.82	20.71	6.10	6.84	0.00	0.00	264.40

#### Tea Gardens under TTCI

1675. SHRI R. B. RAI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the two big tea gardens in Darjeeling hills, under the Central Government undertaking (T.T.C.I) are being totally abandoned since last so many months;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the workers of these tea gardens are not getting their wages for months together; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (DR. BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. In view of financial difficulties, salaries and wages could not be disbursed to the workers in the estates in question. This resulted in agitation by workers leading to the management not being allowed to run the gardens effectively.

(c) Owing to resource crunch and lack of production the workers of these gardens have not been paid salaries etc. for about two years now.

(d) It had been decided by the Government to dispose of the gardens. The sale process could not be

finalised due to legal constraints and financial difficulties of the prospective buyers. The Government is seized of the position and is exploring various options.

#### Security Presses

1676. SHRI RAM NAIK : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the security presses in Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal are fully utilised;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether highly sophisticated printing plants imported from Germany are not operated;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor ;
- (e) whether the Mysore Security Press remains inoperational;
- (f) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (g) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.