

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) State Bank of India has received sealed packets containing valuables pledged against loans and safe custody articles from the Banco Nacional Ultramarino (BNU), Lisbon.

(c) According to the State Bank of India, the estimated value of the gold ornaments said to be contained in these packets is Rs. 10 crores.

(d) and (e) In terms of the agreement entered into between Chairman, State Bank of India and Chairman, BNU, these packets will have to be delivered to the borrowers/depositors or their legal heirs.

Refinance Assistance by NABARD

4183. SHRIMATI MAHENDRA KUMARI :
SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the amount of refinance assistance provided by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development for renovation/replacement of spare parts of tractors during the last three years and during 1991 till date, year-wise and State-wise ; and

(b) the number of beneficiaries under the Scheme, State-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has reported that the monitoring system and the data reporting system do not generate infor-

mation about the refinance provided by NABARD for renovation and replacement of spare parts of tractors. However, the refinance provided by NABARD for financing farm mechanisation during last three years is as under :

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Amount
1988-89	158
1989-90	225
1990-91	338

Changes in Export Policy of Cotton

4184. SHRI M. R. KADAMBUR JANARTHANAN : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government have made any changes in the export policy of cotton ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Textile Industry

4185. SHRI M. R. KADAMBUR JANARTHANAN : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the textile industry has been badly affected by the shortage of cotton as also by the high price of cotton lint ; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard ?