

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2101

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AGRAHAYANA SAKA WORLD BANK LOAN FOR MAHARASHTRA QUESTION .

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Maharashtra has sought Rs.40,000 crore from the World Bank for various infrastructures and water supply projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government have taken up the matter with the World Bank;

(d) if so, the response of the World Bank; and

(e) if not, the steps being taken by the Government to obtain such assistance?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL)

(a): The State Government of Maharashtra has proposed projects amounting to Rs.10937 crores

(approximately), from the World Bank for infrastructure and water supply projects. These cost estimates are only indicative. The details of scope, size and cost of projects are known only after the project is appraised, negotiated and approval of the Bank Board is received.

(b), (c) & (d): The information is indicated in the statement which is attached.

(e) The Government of India periodically reviews and follows up all proposals posed to the World Bank for assistance. Statement showing the status of various projects in the infrastructure and water supply sectors

S.No Name of the Project Status/ Responses

1. Mumbai Urban Transport Project

(Phase II) The project has been posed to the World Bank and is yet to be appraised. There is presently no commitment from the World Bank to fund the project.

2. Maharashtra Water Supply and Sewerage The project proposal was posed to the Bank.

Project Stage II Subsequently the Maharashtra Government have sent a revised proposal to the Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation. Approval of Planning Commission and Ministry of Environment and Forests on the proposal is awaited.

3. Middle Vaitarna Project - Urban The Project was posed to the World Bank. However, the Bank expressed its reluctance to finance

Water Supply the project in September 2000. Thereafter, Department of Economic Affairs wrote to the Government of Maharashtra to reframe the project with a greater emphasis on institutional reform and sustainable financing through robust cash flows.

