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SOVIET DEBT BURDEN ON INDIA

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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether during the recent visit of the Russian President to New Delhi, the question of Soviet debt burden on India was discussed;
- (b) if so, the precise issues and proposals discussed therein; and
- (c) the debt burden outstanding as on date?

**Answer**

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

- (a) and (b) During discussions with the President of the Russian Federation, the question of trade and economic cooperation through the rupee repayment track was touched upon.
- (c) The `Soviet debt burden on India` at present is about Rs. 18,683 crores.