

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH) : (a) and (b) A high level meeting was held on 4.1.1997 at Hyderabad where various issues pertaining to exports were discussed.

(c) Export promotion measures are continuously being taken which include, inter alia, changes in policies & procedures for export friendly environment, involvement of States in export promotion and consultations with trade and industry etc.

(d) The growth of exports during 1995-96 was not below target. As per D.G.C.I.&S data export growth in dollar terms during April 96-Jan. 97 is placed at 6.19%.

(e) The Exim Policy for 1997-2002 will attempt to provide a more export friendly policy regime which will be applicable from 1997-98 onwards.

[Translation]

SIDBI's Assistance to Maharashtra

4287. SHRI KACHARU BHAU RAUT : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the amount allocated by the Small Industries Development Bank of India to Maharashtra as on February 28, 1997, Scheme-wise;

(b) whether the allocation made to Maharashtra is less as compared to other States;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of steps taken to ensure the equal allocation to all the States ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR) : (a) The Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has reported that it does not follow the system of allocating resources State-wise as SIDBI pursues the principle of need based assistance approach to the small scale industries in all the States of the country. SIDBI ensures that no worthwhile proposal is denied credit by it for want of funds. However, the scheme-wise assistance sanctioned in the State of Maharashtra during the period April 1990-February 1997 is given in the attached Statement.

(b) to (d) Do not arise in view of (a) above.

Statement

Scheme-wise assistance sanctioned (Provisional) by SIDBI in Maharashtra

	(Rs. crore)
Refinance	1680.35
Refinance-Line of Credit (LOC)	8.10

Bills Rediscounting Scheme	272.42
Direct Discounting Scheme (DDS) (Equipment)	508.11
DDS (Components)	949.13
Project Finance Scheme	39.11
Equipment Finance Scheme	5.17
Technology Development and Modernisation Fund Scheme	7.13
Marketing	3.87
Ancillary	6.02
Direct Equity Assistance	0.22
Infrastructure Development Scheme	0.23
Integrated Infrastructure Development Scheme	3.00
Short-term loans to Industrial concerns	15.15
ISO 9000	0.29
Pre-shipment Credit in Foreign Currency (PCFC)	2.52
Venture Capital	5.37
State Small Industries Development Corporation (SSIDC)	15.00
LOC to SFCs/SIDCs/banks/other industrial concerns	85.00
LOC for PCFC to banks	12.52
Leasing	515.00
Seed Capital	15.12
Others	6.53
Total	4155.36

[English]

Export of Aluminium Wares

4288. SHRI ANNASAHIB M.K. PATIL : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total quantity of aluminium wares exported and foreign exchange earned therefrom during each of the last three years;

(b) the details of the countries identified so far by