

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
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J&K BANK BRANCH IN PAKISTAN
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Jammu and Kashmir Bank has sought the permission of the Reserve Bank of India to reopen its branches in Mirpur and Muzaffarbad of Pak Occupied Kashmir (POK) which have been lying closed since 1947;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Reserve Bank of India has given its permission to the Jammu and Kashmir Bank ;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PA WAN KUMAR BANSAL)

- (a) No, Sir. Reserve Bank of India has not received any such request from the Jammu & Kashmir Bank Ltd.
- (b)to(e) Do not arise.