GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2692 ANSWERED ON:04.12.2009 INCREASE IN REPAYMENT Alagiri Shri S.

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total borrowings of the Government during each of the last three years and the current year till date;
- (b) the repayment made during the same period;
- (c) the repayment as percentage of borrowings during current year and ten years before;
- (d) whether repayment as the percentage of borrowings has increased;
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) & (b): The Internal Debt-Market Borrwings (Net) & External Borrwings (External Assistance-Net) and reployments made during each of the last three years and the current year till November 23, 2009 ia as under:

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2006-2007 2007-2008 2008-2009 2009-2010 2009-2010
      (Revised (Budget (upto
     Estimates) Estimates) 23.11.2009)
1. Internal 1,10,446 1,31,768 2,6I,972 3,97,957 3,20,911
Debt-Market
Borrowing (Net)
Repayments 35,554 36,333 44,028 53,136 3,20,911
2. External 8,472 9,315 9,603 16,047 5,827
Assistance
(Net)
Repayments 7,886 7,493 9,975 11,034 5,827
Total 1,18,918 1,41,083 2,71,575 4,14,004 3,26,738
Borrowings
(Market
Borrowings +
External
Assistance)
Total 43,440 43,826 54,003 64,170 4,011
Repayments
(Market
Borrowings +
External
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Assistance)

(c): The repayment as percentage of borrowings during current year and ten years before is as under:

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Year Borrowings Repayment Repayment as percentage (net) of borrowings

1999-2000 71,457 25,044 35.05

2009-2010 4,14,004 64,170 15.50 (Budget Estimates)
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(Amount in Rs. crore)

- (d): No, Sir.
- (e): Does not arise.
- (f): The Central Government has been following a comprehensive strategy to moderate growth in public debt through a policy of fiscal rectitude inter alia, including recourse to lower cost borrowings, phased introduction of active consolidation of debt, emphasis on raising funds on concessional terms and from less expensive sources with longer maturities, monitoring short term debt and encouraging non-debt creating capital flows. The Central Government has also set up a Middle Office in order to have a more prudent management of government debt.