GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4841 ANSWERED ON:02.09.2011 OFFSHORE LOANS BY SBI Mani Shri Jose K.

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the State Bank of India (SBI) has any proposal to raise \$ 5 billion through offshore loans by December, 2011;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said bank has maintained its profitability in the recent past;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken / being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (Shri Namo Narain Meena)

- (a) & (b): State Bank of India (SBI) has informed that there is no proposal to raise \$ 5 billion through offshore loans by December 2011. However, based on requirements, the bank may look to raise Foreign Currency funds through issue of bonds sometime during the third or fourth quarter of the current financial year.
- (c) to (d): SBI has informed that the net profit of the bank was Rs.9121 crore for the financial year 2008-09; Rs. 9167 crore for 2009-10 and Rs. 8265 crore for the year 2010-11. The Net profit is lower by 9.84% in 2010-11 over 2009-10 mainly due to higher pension, gratuity, loan loss provisions, higher investment depreciation and standard assets provision on special home loan schemes.
- (e): Does not arise.