

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3967  
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BENEFITS TO WOMEN  
Pal Shri Jagdambika

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to help poor women to get easy access to all available credit sources in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to provide tax benefits to units providing employment to the women in large numbers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMONARAIN MEENA)

(a) & (b): Reserve Bank of India (RBI) had in July, 2001 advised all Public Sector Banks (PSBs) to earmark 5% of their Net Bank Credit (NBC) to women entrepreneurs. As reported by RBI, the amount of loan disbursed to women under certain special schemes as on March 31, 2009 stood at Rs. 108469.11 Crore.

(c): No Sir.

(d): Does not arise.