GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

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EXTENSION OF LOAN THROUGH MICRO FINANCE INSTITUTION
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Public Sector Banks (PSBs) and Private Sector Banks extend loans to agricultural sector through micro-finance institutions; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Public Sector Banks (PSBs) and Private Sector Banks are providing bulk loans to Micro Finance Institutions (MFIs) for various purposes including agriculture. Loans given by PSBs and Private Sector banks to MFIs for various purposes, including agriculture as on 31 March, 2007 and 31 March, 2008 are as follows:

(Rs. Crore)

Particulars 2006-07 2007-08

Commercial Banks
(Public and Private)

Loan disbursed by banks to MFIs

1,151.34 1,968.60

Loan outstanding with banks

1,584.27 2,745.24