

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government recently held a meeting with Chief Ministers of various States and Chairpersons of different banks regarding liberal lending by banks to textiles, handicrafts, MSMEs, agriculture and other employment generating sectors and minorities in the country;
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- (c) the details of percentage of loans provided to textiles, handicrafts, MSMEs agriculture sectors and minorities during each of the last three years and the current year, bank-wise and sector-wise;
- (d) whether the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) have achieved the targets fixed for lending of loans to these sectors during the aforesaid period; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, bank-wise and if not, the reasons therefor along with the steps taken by the Government in this direction?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Meetings were held under the Chairmanship of Finance Minister with Chief Ministers of Northern States and CEOs of select Public Sector Banks/RBI on 16th November, 2012 at New Delhi and with Chief Ministers of Southern States and CEOs of select Public Sector Banks/RBI on 20th November, 2012 at Bengaluru to review banks` lending activities to various sectors in the Northern and Southern States respectively.

(c) to (e): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.