

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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MODERNISATION OF PRINTING PRESSES
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to modernize the currency note printing presses in Nasik and Dewas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the purpose;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to make these printing presses competitive and world class;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) : The Security Printing Minting Corporation of India Limited has informed that one Bank Note Printing Line has been commissioned at Bank Note Press, Dewas on replacement basis during January, 2012 at a total cost of Rs. 183 crores. One Banknote printing line each at Bank Note Press, (BNP) Dewas and Currency Note Press, (CNP) Nashik has been sanctioned on replacement basis by the Security Printing Minting Corporation of India Limited (SPMCIL) Board at a total cost of about Rs. 400 crores. One Computer to Off-set Plate making machine has been installed at CNP, Nashik. Two numbers of Bank Note Processing System (BPS-2000) – one each at CNP, Nashik and BNP, Dewas have been installed with total cost of about Rs. 33 crores. One mini finishing machine is being installed at CNP, Nashik at a total cost of about Rs. 12 crores. One number each of on line inspection systems for numbering machines has been installed at Currency Note Press, Nashik and Bank Note Press, Dewas. Three numbers of Electronic Numbering Control System have been installed at CNP, Nashik. IP based Surveillance System has been commissioned at CNP, Nashik and BNP, Dewas.