GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1682 ANSWERED ON:16.08.2013 BANKS STAKE IN COMPANIES Meena Shri Raghuvir Singh

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the public sector banks which have acquired stake in a credit rating agency in the recent past and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether this has the approval of the Government / Board of Directors;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the likely impact of this acquisition on the overall functioning of the banks?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has informed that they have given approval to the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) for investment in following Credit Rating Agencies in last one year. RBI has further informed that the proposals for investment were received by them with the approvals by Boards / Investment Committees of the respective banks:-

Sr. No. Credit Rating Name of Amount Date of the Agency the Bank (Rs. In crore) Approval Letter 1. Credit Analysis Union Bank 100.00 December 11, 2012 and Research Ltd. of India (CARE) 2. -do- Vijaya Bank 100.00 -do-3. -do- Syndicate Bank 20.00 -do-4. -do- Central Bank 105.00 -doof India 5. -do- Oriental Bank 500.00 -doof Commerce 6. -do- Andhra Bank 20.00 -do-7. -do- Punjab 458.99 -do-National Bank

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