

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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REDUCTION OF STAKE IN PSBS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to reduce its stake in public sector banks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has sought the views of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the RBI thereto?

Answer

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

(a)to (d): As per law, the Central Government shall, at all times, hold not less than fifty-one percent of the issued capital consisting of equity shares of each Public Sector Banks(PSBs). There is no proposal to reduce the stake of Central Government in PSBs below fifty one percent.