

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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BHARATIYA MAHILA BANK
Ponnam Shri Prabhakar

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has requested, the States to provide free space to the newly formed Bharatiya Mahila Bank to set up branches; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response thereto so far, State/UT-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (b): Bharatiya Mahila Bank (BMB) as part of its initial expansion plan has requested the Finance Secretaries of 17 State Governments, inter-alia, to consider allotting space for setting up of branches of the bank in State Government buildings or State Corporation buildings at a token lease of ₹1. BMB has received response only from two States i.e. Odisha and Jharkhand. Further, the BMB has also issued advertisements for providing premises in these States. In this context, the Government has also requested certain States for necessary assistance in finding suitable space for setting-up of branches of BMB.