

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CREDIT TO SHGS IN UP
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Self Help Groups (SHGs) which have been sanctioned loans by banks during the last three years in the country including Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) the number of women SHGs during the same period in the country; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to encourage SHGs to avail the credit benefits?

Answer

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

(a): The number of Self Help Groups (SHGs) and amount disbursed by banks in the country and in Uttar Pradesh during the last three years are as under:

Particulars	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
No. Amount (Rs. crore)	No. Amount (Rs. crore)	No. Amount (Rs. crore)	No. Amount (Rs. crore)
Bank loans disbursed to SHGs during the year in the country	1105749 6570.39	1227770 8849.26	1609586 12253.51

Bank loan disbursed to SHGs during the year in Uttar Pradesh	NA NA 23094 166.41	20240 214.29	
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Source: NABARD

NA - Not available

(b): The number of women SHGs having saving bank accounts and loans disbursed to SHGs are as under:

Particulars	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
No. Amount (Rs. crore)	No. Amount (Rs. crore)	No. Amount (Rs. crore)	No. Amount (Rs. crore)

No. of women 3271239 3024.98 3986093 3108.65 4863921 4434.03
SHGs having
saving bank
accounts &
deposit amount
with banks in
the country

Bank loan 957920 5677.36 1040996 7474.26 1374579 10527.38
disbursed
to women
SHGs
during
the year
in the country

Source: NABARD

(c): Banks have been advised to participate in the SHG bank linkage programme of NABARD and to consider financing SHGs as a viable business option. Banks have been further advised to provide adequate incentives to their branches for financing the SHGs. Use of the services of NGOs/SHGs, MFIs and other Civil Society Organisations as intermediaries is also permitted to the Banks.

In addition, effective use of the Business Correspondent and Business Facilitator model to extend financial outreach of bank branches in remote areas is being encouraged.