GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:404 ANSWERED ON:03.02.2017

Bank Accounts for Unorganised Sector

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the banks have launched a massive drive to open banks accounts of labourers and unorganised workers in villages and unbanked areas after the demonetization;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of camps organised by public sector banks till date after the demonetization, bank-wise;
- (c) the number of new bank accounts opened and the number of cards issued during the said period, bank-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take any steps for disbursement of wages/salary to labourers in unorganized sector digitally in the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to open banks in unbanked areas in the country?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

- (a) to (c) The government advised Public Sector Banks (PSB) to organise special camps to open accounts of the workers in unorganised sector and during 23.11.2016 to 27.01.2017, 5.3 lakh camps have been organized, 91.66 lakh accounts have been opened in these camps across the country. Bank-wise number of camps organized and accounts opened is Annexed. The total number of RuPay cards issued by PSBs till 18.01.2017 is 17.06 crore. Bank wise details are contained in the Annexure.
- (d) and (e) The government has advised banks to make special arrangements to facilitate payment of wages/salaries of workers such as providing mobile ATMs in industrial clusters. Banks have also been advised to deploy bank mitr in the tea gardens for opening of bank accounts and to carryout transactions. Banks have deployed 1.26 lakh bank mitr in sub-service areas to provide banking services in rural areas.

Annexure for Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.404 for answer on 3.2.2017 raised by Kunwar Haribansh Singh, MP and 7 others regarding "Bank Accounts for Unorganised Sector".

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Name of Public Sector Banks Total Camps Conducted (From 23.11.2016 to 27.1.2017) Total Accounts opened in CBS (From 23.11.2016 to 27.1.2017) No of Rupay Debit Card as on 18.01.2017

- 1 Allahabad Bank 13554 783295 5040712
- 2 Andhra Bank 6154 124404 1925336
- 3 Bank of Baroda 20447 532166 17814480
- 4 Bank of India 40862 1126172 15581767
- 5 Bank of Maharastra 3518 43959 1723509
- 6 Bhartiya Mahila Bank 3346 15090 69125
- 7 Canara Bank 12944 491146 4273988
- 8 Central Bank of India 30084 338080 6113331
- 9 Corporation Bank 9511 313368 2597069
- 10 Dena Bank 13025 234181 2619144
- 11 IDBI 7954 81359 956128
- 12 Indian bank 8240 166700 3158727
- 13 Indian Overseas Bank 8218 115188 3821396
- 14 Oriental Bank of Commerce 6452 193542 3664702
- 15 Punjab & Sind Bank 3909 33059 1249803
- 16 Punjab National Bank 54124 1223315 13772163
- 17 State Bank of Bikaner and Jaipur 7505 158146 3459129
- 18 State Bank of Hyderabad 9853 141765 2740078
- 19 State Bank of India 175963 1118844 54535871
- 20 State Bank of Mysore 9363 77253 883804
- 21 State Bank of Patiala 2104 172664 1043541
- 22 State Bank of Travancore 4421 41642 383538 23 Syndicate Bank 11332 168885 3727947

24 Uco Bank 35821 476201 3869473 25 Union bank of India 21462 665395 5325830 26 United Bank of India 7392 220781 8859402 27 Vijaya Bank 2944 110243 1460729 TOTAL 530502 9166843 170670722