

covered upto March, 1984. The projects were also able to export 17.2 per cent of their production.

(c) The performance of these projects is being reviewed from time to time and corrective steps taken by the State Governments where-ever necessary, to further improve the performance of these projects.

Loans advanced by Commercial Banks in Karnataka

2328. SHRI H. B. PATIL : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount advanced by the commercial banks in Karnataka during the years 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86:

(b) the credit-deposit ratio of the bank in Karnataka during these three years, year-wise;

(c) whether ratio conforms to the all-India; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefore ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY) : (a) The advances of all scheduled commercial banks in Karnataka stood at Rs. 2505 crores, Rs. 3118 crores and Rs. 3310 crores as at the end of December 1983, December 1984 and June, 1985 respectively.

(b) Credit, deposit ratio (per cent) of scheduled commercial banks at all India level and in Karnataka during the first three years is set out below :—

Year	Karnataka	All-India
December 1983	80.1	67.1
December 1984	84.4	68.8
June 1985	86.6	68.6

(c) and (d). Credit deposit ratio of all scheduled commercial banks in Karnataka was higher than that of all-India during each of the last three years.

Indo-Bangladesh discussion

2329. SHRI SOMNATH RATH : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Indo-Bangladesh discussions was held recently; and

(b) if so, the nature of discussions held and the outcome thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Bangladesh President Lt. Gen. Hussain Mohammad Ershad, accompanied by a high-level delegation visited India from July 14 to 16, 1986. Although he came primarily in his capacity as the current Chairman of SAARC, the occasion was utilised for extensive discussions between the two sides on a whole range of issues.

(b) In addition to matters concerning SAARC, bilateral issues including the sharing of Ganga waters, the early return to Bangladesh of Chakma refugees now in Tripura and measures to increase economic cooperation between the two countries were also discussed. The discussions were held in a cordial atmosphere in a spirit to resolve the problems and with a desire to further improve cooperation between the two countries.

Concessions to exporters of leather gloves

2330. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the exporters of leather gloves in the eastern region are in the grip of an acute financial crisis;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps taken by Government to remove the financial crisis in leather industry; and

(d) whether more concessions are proposed to be granted to the leather glove exporters ?