

[English]

Aid India Consortium Meeting at Paris

502. SHRI KRISHNA SINGH:
DR. T. KALPANA DEVI:
SHRIMATI N.P. JHANSI
LAKSHMI:
SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether at the Aid India Consortium meeting at Paris in June, India pleaded for continued flow of concessional aid to help maintain its pace of economic development;

(b) if so, the total amount of aid package agreed to by Aid India Consortium for 1987-88;

(c) whether there has been any change in terms and conditions of aid; if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the aid decided upon is as per India's expectation?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(c) to (d). The total aid pledges indicated at the Consortium were of the order of US \$ 5.4 billion. Some member countries like Denmark, Canada and Japan indicated improvement in their respective terms of aid. The outcome was satisfactory.

Credit Deposit Ratio in West Bengal

503. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the credit deposit ratio in West Bengal so far as the nationalised banking sector is concerned;

(b) the average credit deposit ratio for the whole country, and

(c) whether government propose to take steps to improve the credit deposit ratio in west Bengal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) to (c). According to the information available from Reserve Bank of India the credit deposit ratio for public sector banks, as at the end of December 1986 was 46.9 per cent in West Bengal as against 61.4 per cent for the country as a whole.

With a view to improving the flow of credit in West Bengal, the Reserve Bank of India had discussions with State authorities who were advised to prepare bankable scheme and to take effective measures for the improvement of credit deposit ratio in the State. The banks were also advised that while preparing District Credit Plans and Annual Action Plans, their endeavour should be to increase the flow of bank credit in respective districts by formulating new bankable schemes, if necessary.

All India Cadre for Municipal Administration

504. SHRI A. CHARLES: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been received for the creation of an All India Cadre for stream-lining the administration of the municipalities; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government to the proposal and the stage at which the matter stands at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b). There is no proposal under consideration at present for creation of an All India Cadre for the administration of the Municipalities.

[Translation]

Financial Irregularities in Central Bank of India

505. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state: