

	1	2	3
4. Akola Gramin Bank		Akola	39 (39)
5. Ratnagiri Sindhudurg Gramin Bank		Ratnagiri	22
		Sindhudurg	10 (32)
6. Solapur Gramin Bank		Solapur	30 (30)
7. Bhandara Gramin Bank		Bhandra	40 (40)
8. Yavatmal Gramin Bank		Yavatmal	12 (12)
9. Buldhana Gramin Bank		Buldhana	1 (1)
10. Thane Gramin Bank		Thane	1 (1)

Note: Figure in bracket indicate the total number of branches.

Proposals from NRIs on rural Projects

531. SHRIMATI N.P. JHANSI
LAKSHMI:
DR T. KALPANA DEVI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have called upon the non-resident Indians to take up rural projects in the selected areas of the country in a big way for speeding up the growth of agriculture;

(b) whether any proposal from the NRIs have since been received in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) further steps Government propose to take to encourage NRIs investment in the field of Agriculture?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI NARAYAN DUTT TIWARI): (a) No, sir.

(b) No, sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) NRI Investment in land-based activities such as real estate agriculture and plantation, is not permitted at present.

Excise Duty due from Cigarettee Manufacturers

532. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of excise duty from cigarette manufacturing companies as on 31st March, 1987;

(b) since how long these are due and the reasons therefore; and

(c) the steps taken to recover the dues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY): (a) to (c). Information

to the extent possible is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Cell for Development of Major Tribal Languages

533. DR. PHULRENU GUHA: will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether government propose to set up a cell for the development of the major tribal languages;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore and the National Council of Educational Research and Training, New Delhi and the Tribal Research Institute in selected States are engaged in preparation of primers and reading materials in tribal dialects/languages.

District Rehabilitation Centres in the Country

534. SHRI D.B. PATIL: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of district rehabilitation centres proposed to be set up in 1987-88, state-wise and

(b) the amount proposed to be spent on setting up of each such centre?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) There is no proposal at present for setting up new Centres during 1987-88.

(b) Does not arise.

Abid Hussain Committee Report on CSIR

535. SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Abid Hussain Committee on working of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research has submitted its report to Government;

(b) if so, what are its recommendations; and

(c) the decisions taken in implementation of the recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K.R. NARAYAN): (a) Yes, Sir. the Abid Hussain Committee has submitted its Report to the Government.

(b) The recommendations of the Committee, *inter-alia*, include:-

(i) Re-drafting of the charter of CSIR and the laboratories;

(ii) Revamping the management structure of the CSIR and the laboratories;

(iii) Guidelines for selection of R&D projects;

(iv) Increasing the earnings of CSIR;

(v) Measures to improve the mobility of the scientists;

(vi) Training and re-training of personnel;

(vii) Modernisation of laboratories

(viii) Restructuring of laboratories

(ix) Transfer of few laboratories to Scientific departments of Government;

(x) Government policies to -

(a) promote R&D in industry.

(b) facilitate the use of indigenous technology, and