

Ratio of Plan Expenditure to Non-Plan Expenditure

3944. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the ratio of the Plan Expenditure to non-plan expenditure of the Union Government during each one of the three financial years; and

(b) the effect of the increase in non-plan expenditure on the economic situation in the country?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI MAGANBHAI BAROT): (a) Presumably the Hon'ble Member has in mind the years 1978-79, 1979-80 and 1980-81. A statement is attached.

(b) The major areas of non-plan expenditure are defence, interest payments, subsidies, tax collection charges, police and other administrative expenditure, and grants and loans to State Governments. It also includes such expenditure on education, health, etc. which, with the completion of the past Plan periods, are treated as "Committed" or non-Plan expenditures. The effect of all these categories of expenditures are to provide the essential services to the community at large, as also to generate more income and employment in the economy.

Statement

Share of Plan & Non-Plan Expenditure in the Central Budget
Percentages to Total Expenditure

	Plan Expenditure	Non-Plan Expenditure
1978-79 (R.E)	37.68	62.32
1979-80 (R.E)	37.62	62.38
1980-81 (B.E)	39.20	60.80

Barter-link arrangements made by STC with other countries

3945. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the countries with which barter-link arrangements have been made by the State Trading Corporation; and

(b) the commodities quantity and value with which each country in these deals (country-wise)?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) STC has no barter-link arrangements with any country.

(b) Does not arise.

Trade with Pakistan

3946. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government to extend trade with Pakistan; and

(b) the commodities which were exported and imported with their values during 1978-79 and 1979-80?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Several rounds of discussions have been held with Pakistan on the scope and modalities of further trade between our two countries. The dialogue is continuing through diplomatic channels.

(b) Export/import statistics, with values, for 1978-79 and 1979-80 (April-June, 1979) are given in the attached statement.