

Expenditure

(In crores of Rs.)

Description	Year		
	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80
Salaries and other benefits to employees	107.12**	113.53**	119.41**
Commission to Agents	55.57	62.08	71.91
Other Expenses	19.83	20.62	23.35
TOTAL	182.52	196.23	214.67

**Note—Liability of Bonus to all classes has still to be adjusted. The figures are, therefore, provisional.

Duty levied on small scale industries manufacturing stainless steel Plants

6235. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry have drifted away in giving encouragement to small scale industries who use induction furnace for making stainless steel plants from scrap;

(b) if not, the duty or custom levied on small scale industries who make stainless steel plates with induction furnaces;

(c) whether it is a fact that bigger units which use furnaces are exempted from the tax or duty which is levied on small units of stainless steel; and

(d) if so, the reasons for supporting bigger units in this trade?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND STEEL AND MINES (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (d) The order granting partial exemption from the levy of duties to electric furnace units employing a particular process to produce steel does not make any distinction between the bigger and smaller units.

Per capita credit advanced for industry, Trade and Agriculture in Darbhanga, Madhubani and other Districts in Bihar

6236. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the reply given to the Unstarred Question No. 3482 on 13th March, 1981 regarding total deposits in banks functioning in Bihar and state:

(a) what is the per capita and per acre credit advanced for industry, trade and agriculture in Darbhanga, Madhubani and other districts of Bihar, what are the causes of acute imbalance and the steps to remedy the same; and

(b) what is the district-wise ratio of Bank Branches population for various districts of Bihar?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI MAGANBHAJ BAROT): (a) Data in the manner asked for is not readily available. However, the sectorwise details of deployment of credit by scheduled commercial banks in each of the District of Bihar available for June 1979, are set out in the Annexure laid on the Table of the House Placed in library. See No. LT- 2287/81.

The volume of bank credit and its regional distribution is dependent on