

**Branches of NABARD**

458. SHRI ASHOK NAMDEORAO MOHOL :  
SHRI MADHAVRAO PATIL :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the state-wise number of branches of National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development (NABARD) which were proposed to be opened in the country, particularly in Maharashtra during 1996-97 & 1997-98;

(b) the number of branches opened out of these alongwith their location, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to open some more branches of NABARD during 1998-99; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (BANKING, REVENUE AND INSURANCE) (SHRI KADAMBUR M. R. JANARATHANAN) : (a) to (d) National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development (NABARD) has reported that, in addition to its Head Office at Mumbai, it has 26 Regional Offices (ROs)/Sub-Offices located in the State/Union Territories. NABARD does not have branch offices other than the ROs/SOs. However, with the specific objective of providing expert guidance to financing banks in the areas of credit planning and scheme formulation at the grassroot level as also for improving co-ordination among various organisations involved in implementation of programme for agriculture and rural development, NABARD took on innovative step in the year 1989 by opening one-man District Offices under the charge of District Development Managers (DDMs). It has been pointed out by NABARD that the institution of DDM is not an office and does not have any supporting staff. NABARD has further reported that 234 DDMs have so far been posted in the districts.

The details of district offices opened in the country upto 1995-96 together with additional during the year 1996-97 and 1997-98 are as follows :

No. of DDM Offices	All India	Maharashtra
Opened upto 1995-96	216	19
Opened during 1996-97	18	2
Opened during 1997-98	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>21</b>

NABARD has further decided to open 25 new DDM Offices in various States during the year 1998-99. The State-wise details of NABARD Offices (including the offices

of DDMs), as on 23.05.1998, are indicated in the Statement enclosed.

**Statement**

S. No.	Name of State/ Union Territory	Location of Reg. offices	No. of districts covered by DDMs
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Hyderabad	17
2.	Assam	Guwahati	11
3.	Bihar	Patna	14
4.	Gujarat	Ahmedabad	9
5.	Goa	Panaji	2
6.	Haryana	Chandigarh	13
7.	Himachal Pradesh	Simla	6
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	Jammu	2
9.	Karnataka	Bangalore	15
10.	Kerala	Thiruvananthapuram	13
11.	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	19
12.	Maharashtra	Pune	19
13.	Maghalaya	Shillong	2
14.	Orissa	Bhubaneswar	11
15.	Punjab	Chandigarh	7
16.	Rajasthan	Jaipur	17
17.	Tamil Nadu	Chennai	16
18.	Tripura	Agartala	1
19.	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow	31
20.	West Bengal	Calcutta	8
21.	Pondicherry	Pondicherry	1
<b>Total</b>			<b>234</b>

**Inferior quality of Coal**

459. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government is serious towards the complaints of consumers regarding supply of inferior quality and less quantity of coal;

(b) if so, whether any action has been taken by the Government against those persons, who are found guilty in supply of inferior quality and less quantity of coal;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and