

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE TO MAHARASHTRA
NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of proposals for financial assistance for various projects of the Government of Maharashtra forwarded to the World Bank by the Union Government and which have not yet been sanctioned by the World Bank so far;
- (b) the date when each of the above proposal was forwarded to the World Bank and the amount of assistance sought from the World Bank for each project;
- (c) the present status of each such proposal; and
- (d) the follow-up action taken by the Union Government to ensure early sanctions of the above proposals by the World Bank?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (ANANDRAO V. ADSUL)

(a), (b) & (c): The details are as follows:

No.	Project Name posing (US \$ million)	Date of	Amount	Present Status
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1.	Maharashtra Water Services Improvement Project	7.2.2002	425.3	The World Bank has initiated their internal documentation for including this in their future lending program.
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2.	Maharashtra Forestry Project	19.8.1999	133.0	Consultations have commenced with the World Bank regarding the Forestry Sector
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3.	Maharashtra Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Project Stage II	20.9.2001	181	Loan has been negotiated with the World Bank in July 2003.
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(d) Approval of a project follows the cycle of project identification, preparation, posing, appraisal and negotiation. Government of India interacts with the World Bank in this process closely.