

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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ECONOMIC REFORMS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have signed any MoU with the State Governments in regard to accelerate economic reforms;
- (b) if so, whether additional fiscal assistance is being provided to State Governments under this MoU; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. MoU had been signed with thirteen State Governments during 1999-2000 to accelerate fiscal reforms.

(c): During 1999-2000 a facility comprising of Rs.3000 crores under Extended Ways & Means Facility and Rs.2000 crores under Additional Market Borrowings was created to provide assistance to States who had undertaken monitorable fiscal reforms programme. Thirteen States who had entered into a MoU for implementing their reforms programme, were allocated an amount of Rs.4490 crores, comprising of Rs.2570 crores as Extended Ways & Means Facility and Rs.1920 crores as Additional Market Borrowings during 1999-2000.