

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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MID TERM LOAN TO WEST BENGAL
BASUDEB ACHARIA

Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a mid-term loan of Rs. 865 crore sanctioned by the Ministry of Finance for the State of West Bengal, has not been released so far;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefore;
- (c) whether the Government are seriously considering releasing the same at the earliest considering the current financial position of the State; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE & COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ANANDRAO V. ADSUL)

(a) to (d): An amount of Rs. 878 crores has been approved as a Medium Term Loan to Government of West Bengal, which, however, can be released only after the supplementary grants for the year 2002-03, are approved by the Parliament.