

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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PERFORMANCE OF NAEARD
ANANTRAO GUDHE

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have reviewed the performance of NABARD during the current years in terms of financial support to Financial Institutions for developmental/production activities in Rural Sector, State-wise as per the targets set and achieved;
- (b) if so, the details thereof as per the standard assessment norms for the updated period during the current year along with performance during the preceding two years by the States in general and Maharashtra in particular;
- (c) the details of proposals from Maharashtra are pending and the action taken/proposed to be taken thereon, project-wise; and
- (d) the details of new schemes proposed to be launched during 2000-2001?

Answer

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

(a) and

(b) The activities of National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) are monitored by Government on an on-going basis. An in-depth review of NABARD's operations is conducted by its Board of Directors which comprises, amongst others, senior representatives from the Finance, Agriculture and Rural Development Ministries and the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). An annual review of NABARD's activities is also tabled in Parliament along with the annual report of NABARD. The State-wise credit-related functions, achievements under investment credit and production credit are analysed and presented in the Annual Report of NABARD. NABARD also has a well structured monitoring arrangement covering, inter-alia, District oriented monitoring, technical monitoring, scheme-oriented monitoring, mid-term review of implementation of schemes and ex-post evaluation of schemes. The State-level deficiencies and implementation difficulties are also reviewed at the State Level Bankers' Committee Meetings where State Governments, commercial banks, RBI and NABARD are represented. Further, NABARD also holds structured discussions with the Departments of the State Governments, wherever considered necessary, to resolve outstanding issues. NABARD has reported that for the year 1999-2000 the flow of refinance from NABARD to banks is projected at Rs. 5200 crores as against an achievement of Rs. 4520 crore for 1998-99. As regards Maharashtra, an amount of Rs. 356.55 crore was provided during 1998-99 as against disbursement of Rs. 332.60 crore during 1997-98.

(c) 23 investment proposals for refinance, as per the enclosed statement, from 5 banks in Maharashtra are under consideration for sanction by NABARD. Additional information have been sought by NABARD from banks for processing them.

(d) No new schemes of refinancing is proposed to be launched during 2000-2001.