

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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COOPERATIVE BANKS
AMBATI BRAHMANAIAH

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have asked State Governments to review the working of all cooperative banks within their jurisdiction;
- (b) if so, specific aspects of working of cooperative banks which will come under examination;
- (c) the response of State Governments of this suggestions;
- (d) whether State Governments have made any suggestions to improve the working of cooperative banks;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a) and

(b) Government had appointed a Task Force to study the cooperative credit system in the country and to suggest measures for its strengthening under Chairman ship of Shri Jagdish Capoor, Deputy Governor, Reserve Bank of India (RBI). The Task Force has submitted its report in July, 2000. The recommendations of the Task Force are wide ranging and would require action on several issues by several agencies including the State Governments.

(c) to (f) The recommendations of the Task Force are under active consideration of the Government in consultation with Reserve Bank of India (RBI), National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) and State Governments. Their suggestions would be taken into consideration before final view on these recommendations are taken.