

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

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CONCESSIONAL LENDING OF SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Planning Commission has endorsed the RBI's stand of concessional lending of Special Economic Zones Projects;
- (b) if so, whether SEZs are being set up in various parts of the country in violation of the directives of the Planning Commission;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the overall growth rate would be affected if the SEZs are set up; and
- (e) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

- (a): Planning Commission has not expressed any view on the concessional lending to Special Economic Zone Projects.
- (b) & (c): Do not arise.
- (d) & (e): As overall growth rate depends on the growth rates of various sectors including export growth rate, SEZs may contribute to overall growth rate through the mechanism of higher export growth rate.