

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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DECLINE OF PROFIT OF PSBS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether either comparative profits have declined or losses incurred in the Public Sector Banks of the country during the third quarter of the financial year 2005-06;
- (b) if so, the names of those banks and estimated amount of their respective losses; and
- (c) the reasons for decline and incurring losses?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAW AN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) to (c) : Public Sector Banks have posted total post-tax profit of Rs.4,344 crore during the 3rd quarter of financial year 2005-06 as compared to Rs.3,139 crore during the corresponding period in the previous year. However, due to increase in operating expenses including staff costs and decline in profits earned in securities trading, five public sector banks i.e. Central Bank of India, Corporation Bank, United Bank of India, State Bank of India and State Bank of Patiala have posted lower post-tax profit in the period Oct-Dec, 2005 as compared to the corresponding period in the previous year.