

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3513

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CHARGING OF HIGHER RATE OF INTEREST

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether World Bank Report for the year, 2006 has revealed that farmers are being charged higher rates of interest in comparison with businessman in India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

(a)to(d): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House to the extent possible.