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Title: Need to issue guidelines to the Banks to extend educational loans to the students pursuing Nursing Courses.

SHRI MANICKA TAGORE (VIRUDHUNAGAR): The Indian Banks Association (IBA) has advised the banks that the Nursing Courses Institutions, which are having provisional approval for one year from the Indian Nursing Council should not be taken into consideration for the purpose of the extension of education Loan because the future of this type of Institutes are not known. The IBA is afraid that Provisional recognition of these Institutes may be withdrawn by the Indian Nursing Council.

I would like to urge the Minister of Finance that thousands of girls and boys are pursuing these courses and they are not able to get Loan facility from the Banks. Many of the students are from poor background and they need the Loan to meet the expenses of these Courses. My humble request to the Hon'ble Minister of Finance is that kindly have the matter looked into and issue guidelines to the Banks that these Courses should be covered under the educational Loan scheme of the Banks for the benefit of the poor.