

Sl. No.	Name	States Concerned
10.	Brahmaputra-Ganga link (Manas-Sankosh-Tista-Ganga)	Assam, West Bengal & Bihar
11.	Jogighopa-Tista-Farakka link	Assam, West Bengal & Bihar
12.	Farakka-Sunderbans link	West Bengal
13.	Ganga (Farakka)—Damodar-Subemarekha link	West Bengal, Orissa, Bihar & Jharkhand
14.	Subemarekha-Mahanadi link	West Bengal & Orissa

Note: "Feasibility Reports completed.

Vacant Board level posts in Banks/Fls.

*128. SHRIRAJKUMAR DHOOOT: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many Board level posts in banks and financial institutions are lying vacant;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the dates from which they are lying vacant;

(c) the reasons for not filling-up these posts in each case where the vacancy was foreseen well in advance; and

(d) the steps taken to expedite the process of filling-up the vacant posts?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) to (d) At present, the following posts are lying vacant on the Boards of Public Sector Banks and Financial Institutions:—

Sr. No.	Post	Name of the Bank	Date of Vacancy
1.	Deputy managing Directors-two posts	Small Industrial Development Bank of India (SIDBI)	27.3.2000* 1.4.2002
2.	Executive Director	United Bank of India	1.9.2001

Sr. No.	Post	Name of the Bank	Date of Vacancy
3.	Chairman and Managing Director	National Housing Bank	4.9.2001
4.	Chairman and Managing Director	Syndicate Bank	1.2.2002
5.	Chairman and Managing Director	Vijaya Bank	1.2.2002
6.	Executive Director	Andhra Bank	1.6.2002
7.	Executive Director	Indian Overseas Bank	1.7.2002
8.	Managing Director	State Bank of India	1.7.2002

*The practice has been to fill only one post out of two.

Steps were initiated to fill these posts well in advance. However, procedural formalities involved in these appointments have taken relatively more time. All possible efforts are being made to fill up these vacant posts very soon.

Problems and difficulties faced by NRIs

*129. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "We are treated like any other visitor NRIs" which appeared in the Asian Age dated the 18th June, 2002;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to address the problems and difficulties being faced by the Non-Resident Indians as highlighted in the above-mentioned news-item?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Government of India and the State Governments through various initiatives have been inviting investment by NRIs into India. Several packages and incentives for attracting NRI investment have