

**Licence for Investment**

1545. SHRI P.N. SIVA:

SHRI R. SARATHKUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the financial institutions which have obtained licence for operating in the field of investment in the country;

(b) the number of financial institutions, which are not operating after obtaining the licence; and

(c) the names of the non-operational financial institutions against which Government have initiated / not initiated any action?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHEPATIL): (a) to (c) Reserve Bank of India has issued Certificate of Registration Under Section 451A of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 to the following financial institutions for functioning as non-banking financial company (NBFC) and all of them are functioning; (1) ICICI Ltd, (2) IFCI Ltd. (3) Tourism Finance Corporation of India, (4) Infrastructure Development Finance Company Ltd.

**Pending FERA Cases**

1546. SHRI S. AGNIRAJ: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of cases of FERA violation pending in various parts of the country; State-wise;

(b) what are the reasons for this pendency;

(c) what steps are being taken to clear this backlog; and

(d) what is the total amount involved in these cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) The work of the Enforcement Directorate is divided across the country in seven zones. The various statistical data in respect of FERA / FEMA cases is therefore, compiled zone-wise and not state-wise. The zone-wise details in respect of pending FERA violation cases as on 31.10.2001 and also suspected FERA violation cases received recently from RBI for investigation are given in the statement. (*See below*)

(b) The pendency is on account of various factors like shortage of man power complex nature of investigation, which are too legalistic and technical, often requiring co operation of other countries, delayed receipt of cases from RBI, etc.