

[18 December, 2001] RAJYA SABHA

(d) The total exports of wheat during the last 2 years is as under:-

| Year | Qty. (MT) | Value (Rs. crores) |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| 1999-2000 | 4 | — |
| 2000-01 | 870480 | 444.23 |
| Apr-Sept. 2001 | 1113893 | 574.91 |
| (Source: DGCI and S, Calcutta) | | |

Loan to foreign companies

2926. SHRI R. SARATH KUMAR: Will the MINISTER OF FINANCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether financial institutions have given loan to several power generating companies;

(b) If so, company-wise amount of loan given alongwith the names of the financial institutions, which have provided loan;

(c) Whether some foreign companies are also among the companies, who have taken loan from these financial institutions; and

(d) if so, the names of such foreign companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House to the extent available.

Poverty Alleviation Programme in Himachal Pradesh

2927. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether the World Bank has ranked Himachal Pradesh among the backward and poorest state;