

(b) what were the consumer price indices of those cities during each of the previous three years on the same date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

FAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO):

(a) and (b) The requisite information is given below:

All India Consumer Price Index Number for Industrial Workers (Base 1960-100)

City	1987 (Dec.)*	1986 (Dec.)	1985 (Dec.)
1. Varanasi	888	775	714
2. Madurai	838	724	656
3. Bhopal	834	784	711
4. Bangalore	826	744	694
5. Palaghat	820	708	630
6. Guntur	819	749	663
7. Alleppey	809	794	681
8. Bhavnagar	805	748	676
9. Srinagar	818	734	648
10. Delhi	805	711	652
ALL INDIA	752	688	630

*Latest available

Increase in Loan to unemployed Youth

1302, SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Reserve Bank of India has decided to increase the amount of loan being advanced to the unemployed youth;

(b) if so, to what extent the amount has been increased;

(c) what are the details in this regard; and

(d) what is the amount allocated to Bihar for implementing this Scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO):
(a) to (d) In the year 1983, when the

Scheme for providing Self-Employment to the Educated Unemployed Youth (SEEU) was initially launched, a provision was made to give a composite loan upto Rs. 25,000/- for setting up industrial, service and business ventures. From the year 1986-87, while the ceiling on loans for industrial ventures has been raised to Rs. 35,000/-, for service ventures it has been kept unaltered at Rs. 25,000/- and for business ventures reduced to Rs. 15,000/-. No further change in the loan amount for different routes has been made since then. Separate allocation of funds is not made for each State and physical targets in terms of beneficiaries are centrally allotted to different States. For the year 1987-88, an *ad hoc* target of 14,800 has been laid down for Bihar.