

Sale of NSCs in U.P. and Bihar

†72. SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of National Savings Certificates sold in the States of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar during the last three years and the year-wise and district-wise details of amount earned through the sales of the said Certificates;

(b) whether Government have received information regarding frauds being committed in managing the National Savings Certificates; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard, district-wise and the details of action taken to avert such risks in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) to (c) The information is being obtained.

World Bank Projects in Bihar and U.P.

†73. SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state;

(a) the details of projects primed with the aid of World Bank and Asian Development Bank in the States of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the details of the amount allocated as a grant by the above banks, project-wise; and

(c) the details of work carried out in the above States so far with the aid of the above banks, project-wise and region-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) and (b) A Statement in respect of ongoing World Bank assisted projects in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh is attached. (See below) There is no grant component in these projects. There are no ongoing Asian Development Bank assisted projects in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh.

(c) The projects above are in sectors such as agriculture, education,

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health, water sector restructuring, rural development and roads. The area of work for these projects involves, improving the performance of the core road system by upgrading and widening priority state highways; initiating irrigation and drainage sub-sector reforms and enabling institutional and policy framework for water sector reform for integrated water resources management; establishing an appropriately managed health system through the delivery of effective services; building capacity for appropriate quality of primary education for all children; and increasing agricultural productivity. The work on the above activities in various parts of the states is currently under Implementation in order to achieve the development objectives of the projects.

Statement

*World bank assisted ongoing projects in the States of Bihar and UP
(as on February 2005)*

(In US\$ million)

Sl. No	Name of the Project	Sector	State*	Amount**
1.	Lucknow-Muzaffarpur National Highway Project	Central	Bihar, U.P.	620
2.	Rural Roads Project	Central	UP.	399.5
3.	Integrated Disease Surveillance Project	Central	Bihar, U.P.	68
4.	Elementary Education Project	Central	Bihar, U.P.	500
5.	Allahabad Bypass Project	Central	U.P.	240
6.	Food and Drugs Capacity building Project	Central	Bihar, U.P.	54.03
7.	Uttar Pradesh State Roads Project	State	U.P.	488
8.	Technical/Engineering Education Quality Improvement Project	Central	U.P.	250
9.	Uttar Pradesh Water Sector Restructuring Project	State	U.P.	149.2
10.	Grand Trunk Road Improvement Project	Central	Bihar.U.P.	589.
11.	Third National Highways Project	Central	Bihar.U.P.	516
12.	Uttar Pradesh Health Systems Development Project	State	UP.	110
13.	Immunization Strengthening Project	Central	Bihar.U.P.	142.6
14.	Uttar Pradesh Third District Primary Education Project	State	U.P.	182.4

Sl. N	Name of the Project	Sector	State*	Amount**
1	National HIV/AIDS Control Project (02)	central	Bihar.U.P.	191
1	Uttar Pradesh Sodic Lands Reclamation Project (02)	State	U.P.	194.1
1	Woman and Child Development Project	Central	U.P.	300
1	National Agricultural Technology Project	Central	Bihar, UP.	196.8
1	District Primary Education Project (03)	Central	Bihar	152
2	Malaria Control Project	Central	Bihar	164.8
2	Rural Womens' Development and Empowerment Project	Central	Bihar, U.P.	19.5
2	Tuberculosis Control Project	Central	Bihar.U.P.	142.4

* States other than Bihar and UP may also be beneficiaries of the project. Only projects in which Bihar and/or UP are beneficiaries are mentioned.

** Amount in case of multistate and central sector projects is the commitment for the entire project including other beneficiary States.

World Economic Forum Meet in Davos

74. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Economic Forum met in January in Davos;

(b) if so, how the Central Government and trade was represented therein; and

(c) what strategy was adopted by the Indian team to promote India economic and trade interests and what was the response and consensus reached in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) Yes, Sir. The World Economic Forum met in Davos during 26th-30th January, 2005, for its annual meeting.

(b) The Central Government was represented on the occasion by Shri Kamal Nath, Minister for Commerce and Industry, and Shri Kapil Sibal, Minister for Science and Technology and Oceanography. The Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Smt. Vasundhara Raje, also participated at the meeting. Indian trade and industry was represented by a large number of prominent business leaders from various sections of Indian Industry. Leading personalities from Indian media and business associations also attended the meeting.