Oiher suggestions relate to small-scale industries, development of backward areas and generating larger opportunities for employment.

The suggestions made by the Federation will be considered by the Government in Ihe light of accepted objectrves and policies.]

राष्ट्रीयकृत बंकों ढारा अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित आदिम जातियों को दिये गये ऋण

*340. श्री मान सिंह वर्माः क्या वित्त मंबी यह वताने की कुपा करेंगे कि:

(क) बैकों के राष्ट्रीयकरण के बाद से 31 मार्च, 1972 तक राष्ट्रीयक्रत बैंकों ढ़ारा (i) छोटे किसानों (ii) छोटे औद्योगिक उद्यम-कर्ताओं, (iii) व्यावसायिक तथा आत्म-नियो-जित व्यक्तियों ग्रीर (iv) सड़क परिवहन संचालकों की श्रीणियों में अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित आदिम जातियों के वितने व्यक्तियों को ऋण दिये गये, और

(ख) इस प्रकार दिये गये भटण की अधिक तम राशि क्यां है ?

+| LOANS ADVANCED BY NATIONALISEDBANKS TO SCHEDULED CASTESAND SCHEDULED TRIBES

340. SHRI MAN SINGH VARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes who have been advanced loans by the nationalised banks since their nationali; ation upto 31st March, 1972; in the categories of (i) small farmers (ii) small industrial entrepreneurs, (iii) professional and self-employed persons and (iv) road transport operators; and

(b) *the* maximum amount of loans thus advanced ?]

वित्त मंत्री (श्री बाई० बी० चय्हाण)

f[] English translation.

(क) ग्रौर (ख) वैंक आंकड़ो रखते समय एक और अनुसूचित जातियों और अनुसूचित जन-जातियों के बीच और दूसरी और अन्य असामियों के बीच भेद नहीं करते हैं; इसलिए माननीय सदस्य द्वारा पूछी गयी सुचना उप-लब्ध नहीं हैं

f [THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI

Y. B. CHAVAN) : (a) and (b) Banks do not distinguish between Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on the one hand and the rest of the constituents on the other in the maintenance of statistics; the information asked for by the honble Member is, therefore, not available.]

341 [Transferred to the 2(sth May, 1972]

HEAVY VEHICLES FACTORY AT QVADF

342. SHRI YOGENDRA SHARMA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to slate:

(a) whether it is a fact that ihe Heavy Vehicles Factory at Avadi has diversified its production with a view to achieving selfsufficiency in armoured vehicles; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (DEFENCE PRODUCTION) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI VIDYA CHARAN SHUKLA) : (a) and (b) The Heavy Vehicles Factory, Avadi is currently producing Vvjayanta (Gi:n) Talk's and Armoured Recovery Vehicles only. The Factory has also on its programme production of 130 mm Self-Propelled Gun for which a prototype has been produced and its design is being finalised. A prototype of Armoured Personnel Carrier is also being built.

भविष्य निधि पर ब्याज की दर

*343. श्री सूरज प्रसाद : क्या वित्त मंत्री 28 मार्च, 1972 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रदन संख्या 384 के दिये गये उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की छपा करेंगे कि :