

- (d) the foreign exchange likely to be spent on the import of coal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. During the year 2013-14, the total coal estimated to be imported is 82 Million Tonne (MT) for 36 power plants comprising 50 MT for 27 power plants designed on domestic coal and 32 MT for 9 power plants designed on imported coal.

(c) As against the total domestic coal requirement of 516 MT for the year 2013-14, availability of domestic coal assured from CIL, SCCL and Captive Mines was only 441 MT, leaving a shortfall of 75 MT. In order to meet this shortfall of 75 MT domestic coal, Power Utilities have been advised to import 50 MT of imported coal as per the equivalent Gross Calorific Value (GCV) of the imported coal.

(d) Price of imported coal depends upon various factors such as *inter-alia*, heat value, moisture content, ash content, source of origin, ocean freight, etc. As per Central Electricity Authority estimates, assuming an average landed price of 80 United States Dollars (USD) per tonne for 6300 Kcal/kg GCV imported coal, total foreign exchange involvement is expected to be around 6,560 Million USD.

All women bank branches in Maharashtra

*109. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Public Sector Banks have set up all women bank branches in Maharashtra, and if so, the details thereof, Bank-wise;
- (b) the response of the clients towards these branches; and
- (c) whether more such branches are likely to be opened in the State in near future, and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) As per information received from Public Sector Banks (PSBs), 22 all women bank branches have been set up in the State of Maharashtra. Details are given below:

Bank-wise No. of Women Branches in the State of Maharashtra

Sl.No.	Bank Name	No. of Branches
1.	Bank of Baroda	1
2.	Bank of India	8
3.	Canara Bank	1
4.	Corporation Bank	1
5.	Dena Bank	1
6.	Indian Overseas Bank	1
7.	Punjab & Sind Bank	2
8.	Punjab National Bank	1
9.	State Bank of India	1
10.	Syndicate Bank	1
11.	UCO Bank	1
12.	Union Bank of India	3
TOTAL:		22

(b) and (c) It is a relatively recent initiative. These all-women employee branches cater to clients other than women also. It is too early to assess the impact or decide about opening more such branches.

Repayment of foreign loans

*110. SHRI N.K. SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has acquired foreign loans worth several lakhs of crores;

(b) if so, the present status of loans acquired by Government from foreign agencies;

(c) whether the U.S. Federal Reserve has recently changed its policy on easy liquidity, and if so, the details thereof; and