

(d) if so, the percentage of loan which has been provided to this category of farmers by banks in the years, 2010-11 and 2011-12 ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) and (b) As per the latest Agriculture Census 2005-06, the number and average size of marginal and small operational holdings are given in the table below:

Sl. No.	Size category of holdings	Number of Operational holdings*	Percentage of total operational holdings	Average size of operational holdings (in ha.)
1.	Marginal holdings (below 1.0 ha)	83694372	64.77	0.38
2.	Small holdings (1.0-2.0 ha)	23929627	18.52	1.38
	Total (Small and Marginal holdings)	107623999	83.29	0.61

*Excluding Jharkhand where Agriculture Census 2005-06 could not be conducted.

(c) The Reserve Bank of India had appointed a Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri M.V. Nair, Chairman, Union Bank of India to re-examine the existing classification and suggest revised guidelines with regard to priority sector lending classification and related issues. The Committee, *inter-alia*, recommended that a sub-target for small and marginal farmers within agriculture and allied activities equivalent to 9 per cent of Adjusted Net Bank Credit (ANBC) or Credit Equivalent of Off-Balance Sheet Exposure (CEOBE), whichever is higher, is to be achieved in stages by the year 2015-16.

(d) As per the information provided by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), loan provided by Public Sector Banks (PSBs) to small and marginal farmers as per cent of Adjusted Net Bank Credit (ANBC) for the years 2010 and 2011 was 6.31 per cent and 6.32 per cent respectively. The figure for the year 2012 is not available.

Financial assistance to NGOs under NLM

*614. SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of financial assistance provided to NGOs under the National Literacy Mission (NLM) during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the results achieved during the last three years;
- (c) whether Government is satisfied with the results achieved, so far; and
- (d) whether Government has evaluated the performance of NGOs involved in the mission?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) Saakshar Bharat and Scheme for Support to Voluntary Agencies for Adult Education and Skill Development are the two schemes implemented by the National Literacy Mission Authority. The State-wise/year-wise details of the financial assistance provided to NGOs under these two schemes during the last three years is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) State Resource Centre (SRC) and Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) are the two major components of the Scheme of Support to Voluntary Agencies for Adult Education and Skill Development. Besides continuing their mandated role of providing academic support to the States for literacy programmes through preparation of teaching learning/training material, training of literacy functionaries etc, the State Resource Centres undertook various other activities including orientation and capacity building of Saakshar Bharat functionaries and facilitating implementation of Saakshar Bharat. Jan Shikshan Sansthans provided vocational training to 19,45,479 persons. Saakshar Bharat Yatra organized by Bharat Gyan Vigyan Samiti covered over 15000 Gram Panchayats in 187 Districts in 22 States of the country.

(c) and (d) Evaluation of the NGOs involved in the two schemes is undertaken periodically by the National Literacy Mission Authority, internally as well as through external agencies. Evaluation of SRCs was undertaken by Management Development Institute (MDI), Gurgaon in 2008. In its report, MDI observed that the services rendered by SRC are a must for literacy programme. However, plugging loopholes and gaps in order to strengthen the existing scheme was stressed. In a similar evaluation of JSSs, the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Bangalore observed that the JSS scheme is well conceived, time-tested, and has proved its worth. Recommendations to streamline its implementation and improve the functioning of JSSs were also made by IIM, Bangalore.

Statement

*Funds released to NGOs State-wise during last
three years (2009-10 to 2011-12)*

Sl.No.	State	(Rs. in lakhs)		
		2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
1	2	3	4	5
1	Andhra Pradesh	446.28	534.04	608.55
2	Arunachal Pradesh	29.48	85.00	124.93
3	Assam	165.92	248.21	271.69
4	Bihar	486.00	462.72	576.58
5	Chhattisgarh	174.08	270.86	270.92
6	Goa	25.79	29.59	26.50
7	Gujarat	303.76	336.97	364.79
8	Haryana	214.32	239.20	226.76
9	Himachal Pradesh	79.36	98.60	101.56
10	Jammu & Kashmir	63.92	133.02	120.03
11	Jharkhand	224.47	208.42	268.42
12	Karnataka	321.59	380.70	367.01
13	Kerala	332.15	347.26	335.95
14	Madhya Pradesh	959.96	1150.55	1130.75
15	Maharashtra	660.20	759.21	759.83
16	Manipur	66.61	90.00	89.39
17	Meghalaya	69.59	51.37	67.50
18	Mizoram	25.65	15.00	0.00
19	Nagaland	28.95	30.00	29.99
20	Orissa	493.24	587.11	604.01

<i>Written Answers to</i>		[18 May, 2012]	<i>Starred Questions</i>	
1	2	3	4	5
21	Punjab	56.98	59.59	59.78
22	Rajasthan	344.00	322.76	376.37
23	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	0.00
24	Tamil Nadu	342.54	398.52	332.74
25	Tripura	71.20	49.81	51.72
26	Uttar Pradesh	1438.21	1639.48	1611.00
27	Uttarakhand	238.82	215.17	252.74
28	West Bengal	324.30	339.62	343.23
29	Chandigarh	101.42	34.94	34.91
30	Delhi	126.09	137.01	146.31
31	Pondicherry	0.00	0.00	0.00
32	Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00
33	Andaman & Nicobar	0.00	0.00	0.00
34	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	13.41	29.55	27.63
35	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL		8228.29	9284.28	9581.59

In addition, an assistance of Rs. 157.00 lakhs was provided to Bharat Gyan Vigyan Samiti (BGVS) during 2011-12 for organizing Saakshar Bharat Yatra in 22 States.

Research Parks in academic and research institutes

*615. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is proposed to open 50 research parks in academic and research institutes in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with location of such parks;
- (c) whether such centres have been developed by IIT, Madras;