

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *156
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25th November, 2016 / Agrahayana 04, 1938 (SAKA)

'RBI PANEL FOR MSME SECTOR'

*** 156 : SMT. SUPRIYA SULE**

: SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Public Sector Banks (PSBs) have urged the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to relax the credit rating parameters for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether RBI has set up an advisory panel to look into matter relating to institutional credit flow to MSMEs and if so, the details thereof and outcome of the discussions in this regard ?

ANSWER
FINANCE MINISTER
(SHRI Arun Jaitley)

(a) & (b) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION
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SUPRIYA SULE AND SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA REGARDING RBI
PANEL FOR MSME SECTOR**

- (a) No Madam. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has not received a request from Public Sector Banks to relax the credit rating parameters for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSMEs).
- (b) A Standing Advisory Committee (SAC) has been constituted by RBI with Deputy Governor as Chairman, officials of Ministries of Finance and MSME, Banks and Industry Associations as members to review the flow of credit to MSMEs. This, inter-alia, includes, assessment of constraints being experienced in accessing credit at reasonable terms, steps being taken to overcome them, etc.

Twenty meetings of the SAC have been held. These have resulted in half yearly reviews of flow of credit and convergence of all stakeholders to improve the MSME eco system. Action points emerging from the deliberations of the SAC are taken up with concerned agencies for implementation.
