

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1858

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 29TH December 2017/ Pausha 8, 1939 (SAKA)

Privatisation of Public Sector Banks

1858. SHRIDIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to privatise Public Sector Banks (PSBs) of the country;
- (b) if so, the details of proposal and the lending theory of Government funds thereto;
- (c) whether the Government proposes special rate of interest on deposits to reduce capital deficit faced by PSBs; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance
(SHRISHIV PRATAPSHUKLA)

- (a) and (b): No proposal regarding privatisation of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) is under consideration of the Government.
- (c) and (d): The comprehensive policy on interest rates on deposits are duly approved by the Board of Directors of the respective banks. As per Reserve Bank of India's instructions, banks are to pay interest on deposits as per policy approved by their Board of Directors or any Board Committee to which the board has delegated powers.
