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Department of Financial Services
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Loan to Farmers

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of farmers including small and marginal farmers covered under banking services in the country including Maharashtra;
- (b) the number of farmers out of the small and marginal farmers, who have taken loans from the moneylenders and the estimated amount of loans taken by them, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra; and
- (c) the number of farmers who had repaid their debts taken in 2016-17 and the number of those who had not repaid them, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance
(Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla)

(a) to (c): The details of agricultural loans outstanding to farmers including Small and Marginal Farmers (SMF) as on 31 March 2017 in respect of Commercial Banks, Cooperative Banks and Regional Rural Banks, including in the State of Maharashtra, as reported by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) are as under:

SN	Outstanding as on 31 March 2017	Total no. of accounts	No. of accounts pertaining to SMF
1	Pan India	120961713	70936162
2	Maharashtra	10091056	7460692

The activity of money lending is regulated by State-specific money lending laws. RBI and NABARD have reported that these details are not centrally maintained.

As reported by RBI and NABARD, the state wise details of farmers including small and marginal farmers, who had repaid/ not repaid their debts taken in 2016-17, is not centrally maintained.