

**Government of India  
Ministry of Finance  
Department of Financial Services**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. +3461**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 /Phalguna 25, 1939 (Saka)**

**Self Help Group**

**+3461. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:**

Will the Minister of **FINANCE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Self Help Groups in northern district of Bihar are unable to obtain loan from the Public Sector Banks (PSBs);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereon?

**ANSWER**

**(MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE)  
(SHRI SHIV PRATAP SHUKLA)**

**(a):** No Madam.

**(b):** Does not arise in view of (a) above.

**(c):** Government have taken various steps to provide easy access of credit and encourage women Self Help Groups (SHGs). These include, inter alia, the Women SHGs Development Fund being operated by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), Interest Subvention under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY – NRLM) to NRLM SHGs on credit upto a maximum of Rs 3 lakh per SHG. Grant and other support to NGOs and other Self Help Promoting Institutions for promotion and nurturing of SHGs formed by poor women in rural areas, etc.

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