

- (a) whether the Government has introduced a scheme to provide educational loan at lower rate of interest to the students of economically weaker sections of the society, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the rate of interest at which the educational loan is being provided at present;
- (c) whether the Non Performing Assets on educational loan are increasing, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to easy availability of educational loans to students in this regard?

ANSWER

To be answered by

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- (a) Government of India has launched a Credit Guarantee Fund Scheme for Education Loans (CGFSEL) on 16.09.2015. The Interest Rate charged for loans covered under CGFSEL is maximum upto 2% over the Base Rate.

In addition for the students belonging to economically weaker sections an interest subsidy scheme on educational loans is in place. Under the scheme during the period of moratorium full interest subsidy is available for educational loans disbursed on or after 1st April, 2009.

- (b) Rate of interest charged by PSBs as on 31.12.2015 on educational loans is Annexed.
- (c) Position of Non Performing Assets (NPA) of Banks for the last three years and current year upto 31.12.2015 is given as under:

Rs in Crore

As on	Education Loan Outstanding	NPA Position	%age of NPA
31.03.13	48382.00	2615.00	5.40
31.03.14	59834.00	3439.00	5.75
31.03.15	63651.00	3443.00	5.41
31.12.15	66858.00	3934.00	5.88
Source: RBI			

- (d) The Model Education Loan Scheme is modified from time to time by Indian Banks' Association (IBA) keeping in view the needs of the students. The last such revision was made in August, 2015.

In order to facilitate easy processing and disbursal of loans, Government has launched a web-based portal viz. Vidya Lakshmi Portal. Students can view, apply and track the education loan applications online.

	Annexure to reply of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2347 for 11.03.2016			
	Interest Rates on Education Loans as on 31st December, 2015			
	Name of the Bank	Interest Rate (%)		
		Upto ₹ 4 lac	Above ₹ 4 lac & upto ₹ 7.5 lac	Above ₹ 7.5 lac
		%	%	%
1	Allahabad Bank	11.70		
2	Andhra Bank	12.50	12.50	11.25
3	Bank of Baroda	12.15	12.15	11.40
4	Bank of India	12.70	12.70	12.20
5	Bank of Maharashtra	12.20	11.70	10.95
6	Bhartiya Mahila Bank	10.95 - 11.95	10.25 - 12.45	10.25 - 12.20
7	Canara Bank	11.65	11.65	11.25
8	Central Bank of India	11.70	11.70	11.70
9	Corporation Bank	11.40	12.40	11.90
10	Dena Bank	11.25	11.25	11.25
11	IDBI Bank	10.75 Ç	10.75 Ç	10.75 Ç
		11.75 ß	11.75 ß	11.75 ß
		10.75 ¥	10.75 ¥	10.75 ¥
12	Indian Bank	11.95	11.95	11.95
13	Indian Overseas Bank	11.70	12.95	11.70
14	Oriental Bank of Commerce	12.20	11.45 - 12.70	11.45
15	Punjab & Sind Bank	12.75	13.00	12.25
16	Punjab National Bank	11.60	12.60	12.10
17	Syndicate Bank	11.20	11.45	12.45
18	UCO Bank	12.20	12.20	11.95
19	Union Bank of India	12.65 \$	12.40 \$	11.65 \$
		12.15 ¥	11.90 ¥	11.15 ¥
20	United Bank of India	13.00 ω & £	13.25 ω & £	11.75 ω & £
21	Vijaya Bank	11.15	11.65	11.15
22	State Bank of India	11.30	11.30	11.00
23	State Bank of Bikaner & Jaipur	12.70	12.70	12.70
24	State Bank of Hyderabad.	12.25	12.75	12.75
25	State Bank of Mysore	12.40	12.40	11.40
26	State Bank of Patiala	12.40	12.40	11.40
27	State Bank of Travancore	13.80	12.80	11.80
	Note:			
	§ Interest rate for male students	¥ Interest rate for female students		
	£ 0.5% concession for girl students	ω Interest rate floating		
	Ç non-vocational courses	ß non-vocational courses		
	¥ Vocation courses			