

- (a) whether the New Development Bank (NDB) formed by BRICS group of emerging nations have approved its first lot of loan to the nations;
- (b) if so, the details of loan approved by the bank, country-wise including India;
- (c) whether the Government has identified the projects where this loan will be utilised; and
- (d) if so, the details of the projects, their locations and the time by which these projects are likely to be completed?

ANSWER

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(a) & (b): The New Development Bank (NDB) on April 13, 2016 approved its first set of loans as under:

- i) Sovereign loan of RMB 525 million (equivalent of USD 81 million) to the People's Republic of China for Lingang Distributed Solar Power Project implemented by Shanghai Lingang Hongbo New energy Development Co. Ltd ;
- ii) Loan of USD 180 million with sovereign guarantee from the Republic of South Africa to Eskom Holdings State-Owned-Company Limited for integrating renewable energy independent power producers (RE-IPP) projects and augmenting transmission capacity for further development of Soweto Area;
- iii) Loan of USD 250 million with sovereign guarantee from the Government of India to Canara Bank for Renewable Energy Financing Scheme; and
- iv) Two-step loan of USD 300 million without sovereign guarantee to Banco Nacional de Desenvolvimento Econômico e Social (BNDES) for financing of renewable energy and associated transmission projects in Brazil.

(c) & (d): The loan of USD 250 million is for on-lending to renewable energy projects under Renewable Energy Financing Scheme (wind, solar, small hydropower, biomass, geo-thermal, waste to energy and municipal waste to electricity, etc.). The loan is developed as Multi-tranche Financing Facility with three tranches of USD 75 million (available from 2016), followed by second tranche of USD 75 million (available till 31 December 2019) and third tranche loan of USD 100 million (available till 31 December 2022). Canara Bank has identified few maiden projects for financing with this loan. The details are given below:

S. No.	Name of the Company	Location	Capacity	Project completion date
1	M/s Mysore Mercantile Co Ltd	Gojnur, Gadag, Karnataka	6 MW Wind power generation	14.08.2015
2	M/s Welspun Energy Rajasthan Private Ltd	Pratapgarh, Rajasthan	200.80 MW Wind power generation	30.01.2016
3	M/s Nupower Renewables Ltd.	Sangli Maharashtra	49 MW Wind power generation	30.06.2016
