

Appendix Table III.26 : Advances to the Priority Sector by Private Sector Banks
(As on the last reporting Friday)

(Amount in Rs. crore)

Sector	March 2002@		March 2003@		March 2004@	
	Amount	Percentage to Net bank credit	Amount	Percentage to Net bank credit	Amount	Percentage to Net bank credit
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Priority Sector Advances #	25,709	40.9	36,705	44.4	52,861	47.4
<i>Of which :</i>						
I. Agriculture	8,022	8.5	11,873	11.2	17,652	12.3
II. Small-scale industries	8,613	13.7	6,857	8.2	7,897	7.1
III. Other priority sectors	9,074	14.4	17,602	22.1	25,834	23.1

@ Data are provisional.

Inclusive of advances to setting up industrial estates, funds provided to RRBs by sponsor banks, loan to software industries, food and agro-processing sector, self-help group and venture capital.

Note : Indirect agriculture is reckoned upto 4.5 per cent of Net Bank Credit for calculation of percentage of Agriculture.