

Appendix Table III.4: Advances to the Priority Sector by Public Sector Banks

(As on the last reporting Friday)

Sector	No. of Accounts (in lakh)						Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore)				
	June 1969	March 2003	March 2004	March 2005	March 2006@	June 1969	March 2003	March 2004	March 2005	March 2006@	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
I. Agriculture	1.7	168	190	202	237	162 (5.4)	70,502 (14.5)	84,435 (15.1)	1,09,917 (15.3)	1,54,900 (15.2)	
i) Direct	1.6	165	187	195	219	40 (1.3)	51,484 (10.6)	62,170 (11.1)	83,038 (11.6)	1,11,636 (11.0)	
ii) Indirect	0.1	3	3	7	18	122 (4.0)	19,017 (3.9)	22,265 (4.0)	26,879 (3.7)	43,264 (4.3)	
II. Small-scale industries	0.5	17	17	14	19	257 (8.5)	52,646 (10.8)	58,311 (10.4)	67,800 (9.5)	82,492 (8.1)	
III. Other priority sector advances	0.4	85	89	89	92	22 (0.7)	71,197 (14.7)	96,170 (17.1)	1,25,114 (17.4)	1,64,473 (16.2)	
IV. Total priority sector advances #	2.6	273	301	314	360	441 (14.6)	1,99,786 (41.2)	2,44,456 (43.6)	3,07,046 (42.8)	4,10,379 (40.3)	
V. Net Bank Credit	-	-	-	-	-	3,016	4,85,271	5,60,819	7,17,419	10,17,614	

- : Nil/Negligible.

@ : Provisional.

: Inclusive of advances for setting up industrial estates, loans to small road and water transport operators, housing loans, education loans, and loans to software industries, food and agro-processing sector, self-help groups, venture capital, etc.

Note : Figures in brackets represent percentages to net bank credit.

Source : Data furnished by respective banks.