GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 960

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QUESTION

ACHIEVEMENT OF NE STATES BY SPECIAL CATEGORY STATUS

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Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether conferring Special Category status on North-Eastern States has helped their economic development;
- (b) if so, the achievements of these States on various developmental indicators during last five years; and
- (c) growth of Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP), Per Capita Income, industrialization and employment provided and investments received during the last five years in these States ?

ANSWER

The Minister of State (Independent Charge) in the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region [Dr. Jitendra Singh]

(a): Special Category Status enabled fund flow on largely concessional terms benefitting the NER States in undertaking developmental activities. The 14th Finance Commission has not made any distinction between Special Category States and General Category States in applying the horizontal devolution formula while providing for higher devolution of 42% of the divisible pool to the States compared to 32% recommended by the Thirteenth Finance Commission. However, under the rationalized Centrally Sponsored Scheme, 90:10 sharing pattern for the North Eastern States have been continued in respect to 6 "Core of the Core Schemes" and 20 "Core Schemes". For the 2 Optional Schemes, the funding pattern for NE States would be 80:20. It has also been decided to continue with existing pattern of transfers for externally aided projects for North East and Himalayan States in the grant loan ratio of 90:10 during the Fourteenth Finance Commission award period.

(b) & (c) : As per available information, the development indicators pertaining to North Eastern States regarding Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) and Per Capita Income during last five years is given at Annexure- I (a) & (b) respectively. As per the available information, during last five years i.e. from 2011-12 to 2015-16, the no. of industrial units established, investments made and employment generated is given at Annexure –I (c).

GROSS STATE DOMESTIC PRODUCT AT CONSTANT (2011-12) PRICES							
				(Rs. In crore)			
State	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15			
Arunachal Pradesh	11063	11288	12338	13110			
Assam	143175	147342	154525	166709			
Manipur	12915	12985	14116	15030			
Meghalaya	19918	20354	20726	21002			
Mizoram	7259	7778	9038	9634			
Nagaland	11839	12442	13826	14115			
Sikkim	11165	11421	12114	12882			
Tripura	19208	20873	22819	25086			
All-India GDP(2004-05 base)	8736039	9226879	9839434	10552151			

PER CAPITA NET STATE DOMESTIC PRODUCT (NSDP) AT CONSTANT(2011-							
12) PRICES				(in Rupees)			
State	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15			
Arunachal Pradesh	73068	72740	77043	79958			
Assam	41142	41609	43002	45692			
Manipur	39762	38927	41445	43348			
Meghalaya	60013	59703	58681	58363			
Mizoram	57654	60261	67591	70552			
Nagaland	51314	53364	58784	58998			
Sikkim	158667	160553	168897	177441			
Tripura	47079	50366	54429	58888			
All-India Per Capita NNI (2004-05 base)	63460	65664	68867	72889			

Annexure – I (c)

S. No.	Year	Units established	Investments made (Rs. in crore)	Employment Generated
1.	2011-12 to 2015-16	12537	5007.786	111089