

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1524**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.01.2018

**Performance of the Ministry under SCSP**

†1524. SHRI P.L. PUNIA:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a huge difference in budget estimate, revised estimate and total expenditure made by the Ministry under Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan (SCSP), if so, the details thereof during the last three years, along with the reasons therefor,
- (b) the details of actual target fixed and achievements made by the Ministry during the last three years; and
- (c) the details of the directions given by the Ministry to implementing agencies to receive proposals within specified time limit?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ  
(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) to (c): A statement indicating Budget Estimate (BE), Revised Estimate (RE) and Actual Expenditure made by the Ministry under Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan (SCSP) component of Rajiv Gandhi Panchayat Sashaktikaran Abhiyan (RGPSA)/Capacity Building-Panchayat Sashaktikaran Abhiyan (CB-PSA) and the Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) Programme from 2014-15 to 2016-17 is given at Annexure. It may be seen from the **Annexure** that by and large the SCSP targets were achieved with respect to Revised Estimate.

The scheme of RGPSA/CB-PSA is a demand driven scheme. The States/Union Territories are requested in the beginning of the year to submit their Annual Plan proposal to the Ministry for providing funds towards admissible activities of the scheme. The proposals are appraised and approved by the competent authority in the Ministry, taking into consideration number of elected Panchayat Representatives and functionaries as well as physical & financial progress of the State/Union Territory. The States are reminded from time to time to submit proposal in time through letters, Video Conferencing, telephone calls etc. The BRGF programme was delinked from budgetary support with effect from 2015-16.

## Annexure

### Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.1524 for 01.01.2018

Statement indicating BE/RE/Actual Expenditure under SCSP during last three years (2014-15 to 2016-17)

(Rs. in crore)

Year	RGPSA/ CB-PSA			BRGF		
	BE	RE	Actual Expenditure	BE	RE	Actual Expenditure
2014-15	178.20	85.60	85.48	955.80	412.83	412.83
2015-16	15.23	35.70	29.85	--	--	--
2016-17	121.50	100.80	100.80	--	--	--

Note: BRGF Programme was delinked from budgetary support with effect from 2015-16

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