GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2122
TO BE ANSWERED ON TUESDAY 22th March, 2022
[1 CHAITRA, 1944 (SAKA)]

"Budget allocation towards Assam and NER for the year 2022"

No. 2122. Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

(a) the budget allocation for the year 2022 for Assam and NER;
(b) new plans and projects sanctioned in this plan year for entire NER; and
(c) the major areas in which Government is going to utilize the budget allocation to NER?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE
(SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY)

(a) Ministry of Finance provides allocation to line Ministries/ Departments to release funds to all State Governments for implementation of various Central Sector and Centrally sponsored schemes as per their eligibility and functional requirements. Allocation/ releases to Assam and other North Eastern Region (NER) States is decided by respective Ministries/ Departments. Allocation to North Eastern Region States including Assam during the year 2021-22 (Revised Estimates) is ₹ 68440.26 crore. Further, Finance Commission Grants amounting to ₹ 36334.57 crore (including ₹7858.85 crore to Assam) have been released during 2021-22 as on 16.03.22

(b) During Financial Year 2021-22 (Feb, 2022), 28 new projects worth ₹ 198.34 crore have been sanctioned so far by Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER) under its various schemes namely, viz. Schemes of North Eastern Council (NEC), North East Road sector Development Scheme (NERSDS), Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR), North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS), Special Packages of Assam (BTC, DHATC & KAATC), Hill Area Development Programme (HADP), North Eastern State Roads Investment Programme (NESRIP) and Social and Infrastructure Development Fund (SIDF).

(c) Major thrust areas of Government in NER are Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Education, Health & Family Welfare, Rural Development, Drinking Water & Sanitation, Micro Small & Medium Enterprises, Power, Road Transport & Highways and Development of Women & Child sectors.

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