

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3668
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.04.2023

SCHEMES LAUNCHED FOR THE ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS IN MP

3668 # DR. SUMER SINGH SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes launched by Government for aspirational districts;
- (b) the details of the works and schemes included in the said scheme; and
- (c) the number of districts of Madhya Pradesh (MP) which have been included in the said scheme?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) and (b) The main strategy of the Aspirational Districts Programme is based on convergence of existing schemes which have their own funding arrangement. The Programme aims at rapid transformation of 112 under-developed districts across sectors which are critical for improving quality of life or economic productivity of citizens. The sectors are Health and Nutrition, School Education, Basic Infrastructure, Agriculture and Water Resources, and Financial Inclusion & Skill Development. Every month, districts are ranked on the basis of progress made on 49 key performance indicators that have been selected across these sectors. This instils a sense of healthy competition in them which results in rapid improvement. The districts are awarded a small allocation based on performance and for incentivising innovative projects to meet critical gaps that may not be covered under other schemes.
- (c) Eight districts from Madhya Pradesh are part of this programme. They are Barwani, Rajgarh, Chhatarpur, Damoh, Singrauli, Khandwa, Vidisha and Guna.
