

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1360

TO BE ANSWERED ON TUESDAY, August 1, 2023/ Sravana 10, 1945 (Saka)

STUDY OF STATE FINANCES IN THE COUNTRY

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government or related bodies/organizations, departmental or autonomous to undertake study of State Finances in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the performance of the States with references to their finances and related decision-making;
- (c) the details of the well-performing States based on their financial, fiscal and budgetary policies in a State-wise format; and
- (d) the performing and non-performing States in this regard with special reference to Odisha and its finances and related decision-making?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FINANCE
(SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (d): Yes Sir, the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI's) annual publication titled 'State Finances: A Study of Budgets' provides thematic data analysis of the fiscal position of State Governments in India. The latest publication released by the RBI is titled as 'State Finances: A Study of Budgets of 2022-23' with a theme 'Capital Formation in India—The Roles of States', which is in the backdrop of the underlying dynamics of their budgetary operations during the year 2020-21 (Actuals), 2021-22 (Revised Estimates/Provisional Accounts) and 2022-23 (Budget Estimates). The latest RBI report has analyzed data in respect of fiscal position of States and the roles of States in capital formation in India qualitatively using non-normative frameworks.

Further, the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) examines and certifies the Finance Accounts and the Appropriation Accounts of each State and prepares a report including a chapter on assessment of fiscal position of the State for submission to the Governor of that State under Article 151 of the Constitution of India for being laid before the legislature of the State.
