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DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN HIMACHAL PRADESH THROUGH NABARD

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether approval has been granted to provide financial assistance for various development projects in Himachal Pradesh through NABARD:
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether construction and reconstruction of roads in rural areas is also proposed to be done through the said financial assistance?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE
(DR. BHAGWAT KARAD)

(a) & (b): The details of development projects in Himachal Pradesh sanctioned through NABARD are annexed.

(c): Under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) Tranche-XXIX, an amount of Rs.807.68 crore has been sanctioned by NABARD in Himachal Pradesh, out of which Rs. 334.99 crore has been sanctioned for construction/reconstruction of 44 Rural Road projects.

The details of development projects through financial assistance made in Himachal Pradesh through NABARD.

1. **Watershed Development:** Under Watershed Development Programme, 50 projects have been sanctioned with a grant assistance of ₹26.84 crore, as on date. These projects have created irrigation potential of 38,732.65 hectare in Himachal Pradesh.
2. **Tribal Development:** Under Tribal Development Programme, 14 projects have been sanctioned in Himachal Pradesh with a grant assistance of ₹21.357 crore, as on date. These projects support livelihood interventions covering 3,708 tribal families.
3. **Farmer Producer Organization:** 147 Farmer Producers Organization have been sanctioned so far in Himachal Pradesh with a grant assistance of ₹13.01 crore. These FPOs have a membership of 31,756.

Under Farm Sector Promotion Fund, as on date, 14 projects are ongoing in Himachal Pradesh with a grant assistance of ₹2.25 crore promoting innovation, enhancing agricultural productivity and income of farmers.

4. **SHGs/ JLGs:** As on 31 March 2023, 1,312 Capacity Building programmes have been conducted for SHGs/ JLGs, besides 75 Micro Enterprise Development Programmes (MEDPs) and 28 Livelihood Enterprise Development Programmes (LEDPs) in Himachal Pradesh.