

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1581
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2024

ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS

1581 DR. ASHOK KUMAR MITTAL:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has succeeded in transforming all the selected aspirational districts of the country as per the aspirational districts scheme;
- (b) if so, the details of all aspirational districts in the country;
- (c) the fund released to each aspirational district of the country, district-wise;
- (d) whether it is a fact that some blocks of the country have been declared as aspirational blocks by Government;
- (e) whether development programmes have been started in these blocks and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of the number of aspirational blocks given to private companies for development, State-wise?

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 CULTURE

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) The Aspirational Districts Programme aims to accelerate the socio-economic development of 112 relatively under-developed districts. The broad strategy of the programme rests on the 3 Cs – Convergence (between Central and State Schemes), Collaboration (between Centre, State, District Administration, Development Partners and Citizens) and Competition (between Districts). The programme focuses on 49 indicators across sectors of health and nutrition, education, agriculture and water resources, financial inclusion and skill development, and basic infrastructure. Every month, districts register their progress achieved in these indicators and are ranked on the basis of their performance. This has helped the Aspirational Districts to achieve significant improvement since the inception of the Programme. Details of district-wise performance (overall and theme-wise) since

inception for aspirational districts is available on the Champions of Change Portal (<http://championsofchange.gov.in/site/coc-home/>) which is in the public domain.

- (b) There are 112 Aspirational Districts in the country across 26 states and 1 Union Territory. The list of all Aspirational Districts in the country is given as Annexure I.
- (c) The basic strategy of the Aspirational Districts Programme is the convergence of existing Central and State government schemes. Additionally, under ADP, districts undertake various developmental projects to address the critical gaps using the award money they win through the programme's delta ranking method. The details of funds sanctioned under ADP to all Aspirational Districts are given as Annexure II.
- (d) The Government of India launched the Aspirational Blocks Programme (ABP) in January 2023, covering 500 blocks across 329 districts in 27 states and 4 UTs.
- (e) Yes sir, development programmes have been initiated in these blocks under the ABP and the details are available on the ABP Champions of Change Portal (<https://abp.championsofchange.gov.in/>).
- (f) None of the Aspirational Blocks have been given to private companies for development.

ANNEXURE I

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1581 FOR 05.08.2024 BY DR. ASHOK KUMAR MITTAL:
REGARDING ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS**

List of all Aspirational Districts in the country

Sl.No.	State Name	District Name
1	Andhra Pradesh	Alluri Sitharamaraju
2	Andhra Pradesh	Parvathipuram Manyam
3	Andhra Pradesh	Y.S.R. Kadapa
4	Arunachal Pradesh	Namsai
5	Assam	Baksa
6	Assam	Barpeta
7	Assam	Darrang
8	Assam	Dhubri
9	Assam	Goalpara
10	Assam	Hailakandi
11	Assam	Udalguri
12	Bihar	Araria
13	Bihar	Aurangabad
14	Bihar	Banka
15	Bihar	Begusarai
16	Bihar	Gaya
17	Bihar	Jamui
18	Bihar	Katihar
19	Bihar	Khagaria
20	Bihar	Muzaffarpur
21	Bihar	Nawada
22	Bihar	Purnea

23	Bihar	Sheikhpura
24	Bihar	Sitamarhi
25	Chhattisgarh	Bastar
26	Chhattisgarh	Bijapur
27	Chhattisgarh	Dantewada
28	Chhattisgarh	Kanker
29	Chhattisgarh	Kondagaon
30	Chhattisgarh	Korba
31	Chhattisgarh	Mahasamund
32	Chhattisgarh	Narayanpur
33	Chhattisgarh	Mohla-Manpur-Ambagarh Chowki
34	Chhattisgarh	Sukma
35	Gujarat	Dahod
36	Gujarat	Narmada
37	Haryana	Mewat
38	Himachal Pradesh	Chamba
39	Jammu & Kashmir	Baramulla
40	Jammu & Kashmir	Kupwara
41	Jharkhand	Bokaro
42	Jharkhand	Chatra
43	Jharkhand	Dumka
44	Jharkhand	Garhwa
45	Jharkhand	Giridih
46	Jharkhand	Godda
47	Jharkhand	Gumla
48	Jharkhand	Hazaribagh
49	Jharkhand	Khunti
50	Jharkhand	Latehar

51	Jharkhand	Lohardaga
52	Jharkhand	Pakur
53	Jharkhand	Palamu
54	Jharkhand	Pashchimi Singhbhum
55	Jharkhand	Purbi Singhbhum
56	Jharkhand	Ramgarh
57	Jharkhand	Ranchi
58	Jharkhand	Sahibganj
59	Jharkhand	Simdega
60	Karnataka	Raichur
61	Karnataka	Yadgir
62	Kerala	Wayanad
63	Madhya Pradesh	Barwani
64	Madhya Pradesh	Chhatarpur
65	Madhya Pradesh	Damoh
66	Madhya Pradesh	Guna
67	Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa
68	Madhya Pradesh	Rajgarh
69	Madhya Pradesh	Singrauli
70	Madhya Pradesh	Vidisha
71	Maharashtra	Gadchiroli
72	Maharashtra	Nandurbar
73	Maharashtra	Osmanabad
74	Maharashtra	Washim
75	Manipur	Chandel
76	Meghalaya	Ribhoi
77	Mizoram	Mamit
78	Nagaland	Kiphire

79	Odisha	Balangir
80	Odisha	Dhenkanal
81	Odisha	Gajapati
82	Odisha	Kalahandi
83	Odisha	Kandhamal
84	Odisha	Koraput
85	Odisha	Malkangiri
86	Odisha	Nabarangapur
87	Odisha	Nuapada
88	Odisha	Rayagada
89	Punjab	Ferozepur
90	Punjab	Moga
91	Rajasthan	Baran
92	Rajasthan	Dholpur
93	Rajasthan	Jaisalmer
94	Rajasthan	Karauli
95	Rajasthan	Sirohi
96	Sikkim	Soreng
97	Tamil Nadu	Ramanathapuram
98	Tamil Nadu	Virudhunagar
99	Telangana	Kumuram Bheem Asifabad
100	Telangana	Bhadradi Kothagudem
101	Telangana	Jayshankar Bhupalpally
102	Tripura	Dhalai
103	Uttar Pradesh	Bahraich
104	Uttar Pradesh	Balrampur
105	Uttar Pradesh	Chandauli
106	Uttar Pradesh	Chitrakoot

107	Uttar Pradesh	Fatehpur
108	Uttar Pradesh	Shravasti
109	Uttar Pradesh	Siddharthnagar
110	Uttar Pradesh	Sonbhadra
111	Uttarakhand	Haridwar
112	Uttarakhand	Udham Singh Nagar

ANNEXURE II**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF RAJYA SABHA
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REGARDING ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS****Details of funds sanctioned to Aspirational Districts**

S.No.	State	No of ADP Districts	Amount Sanctioned (In INR Cr)
1	Andhra Pradesh	Alluri Sitharama Raju	10.2
2	Andhra Pradesh	Parvathipuram Manyam	5.1
3	Andhra Pradesh	Visakhapatnam	2.9
4	Andhra Pradesh	Vizianagaram	5
5	Andhra Pradesh	Y.S.R. Kadapa	11.1
6	Arunachal Pradesh	Namsai	20.1
7	Assam	Baksa	17.3
8	Assam	Barpeta	23.1
9	Assam	Darrang	16.1
10	Assam	Dhubri	8.3
11	Assam	Goalpara	5
12	Assam	Hailakandi	24.1
13	Assam	Udalguri	24.7
14	Bihar	Araria	6.4
15	Bihar	Aurangabad	11.1
16	Bihar	Banka	14.1
17	Bihar	Begusarai	11.1
18	Bihar	Gaya	14.8
19	Bihar	Jamui	13.1
20	Bihar	Katihar	16.1
21	Bihar	Khagaria	32.9
22	Bihar	Muzaffarpur	18
23	Bihar	Nawada	23.1
24	Bihar	Purnia	8.1
25	Bihar	Sheikhpura	10.5
26	Bihar	Sitamarhi	3.1
27	Chhattisgarh	Bastar	12.3
28	Chhattisgarh	Bijapur	21

29	Chhattisgarh	Dantewada	0.1
30	Chhattisgarh	Kanker	3.1
31	Chhattisgarh	Kondagaon	20.3
32	Chhattisgarh	Korba	0.1
33	Chhattisgarh	Mahasamund	13.1
34	Chhattisgarh	Mohla-Manpur-Ambagarh Chowki	2.3
35	Chhattisgarh	Narayanpur	15.3
36	Chhattisgarh	Rajnandgaon	7
37	Chhattisgarh	Sukma	19.8
38	Gujarat	Dahod	10.2
39	Gujarat	Narmada	12.1
40	Haryana	Mewat (Nuh)	18.3
41	Himachal Pradesh	Chamba	14.1
42	Jammu & Kashmir	Baramulla	18.9
43	Jammu & Kashmir	Kupwara	6.1
44	Jharkhand	Bokaro	1.6
45	Jharkhand	Chatra	0.1
46	Jharkhand	Dumka	22.3
47	Jharkhand	Garhwa	18.1
48	Jharkhand	Giridih	2.1
49	Jharkhand	Godda	1.5
50	Jharkhand	Gumla	17.8
51	Jharkhand	Hazaribagh	3.3
52	Jharkhand	Khunti	14.1
53	Jharkhand	Latehar	5.1
54	Jharkhand	Lohardaga	20.4
55	Jharkhand	Pakur	5
56	Jharkhand	Palamu	15.1
57	Jharkhand	Pashchimi Singhbhum	3.4
58	Jharkhand	Purbi Singhbhum	6.3
59	Jharkhand	Ramgarh	3.1
60	Jharkhand	Ranchi	13.1
61	Jharkhand	Sahibganj	22.3
62	Jharkhand	Simdega	22.7
63	Karnataka	Raichur	8.3

64	Karnataka	Yadgir	20.2
65	Kerala	Wayanad	18.1
66	Madhya Pradesh	Barwani	16.3
67	Madhya Pradesh	Chhatarpur	23.8
68	Madhya Pradesh	Damoh	11.1
69	Madhya Pradesh	Guna	7.8
70	Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	11
71	Madhya Pradesh	Rajgarh	10.4
72	Madhya Pradesh	Singrauli	0.1
73	Madhya Pradesh	Vidisha	13.1
74	Maharashtra	Gadchiroli	11.1
75	Maharashtra	Nandurbar	27
76	Maharashtra	Osmanabad	18.4
77	Maharashtra	Washim	22.4
78	Manipur	Chandel	20.3
79	Meghalaya	Ri Bhoi	16.1
80	Mizoram	Mamit	19.1
81	Nagaland	Kiphire	10.3
82	Odisha	Balangir	18.1
83	Odisha	Dhenkanal	9.1
84	Odisha	Gajapati	24.1
85	Odisha	Kalahandi	8.3
86	Odisha	Kandhamal	11.1
87	Odisha	Koraput	8.3
88	Odisha	Malkangiri	14.1
89	Odisha	Nabarangpur	11.1
90	Odisha	Nuapada	22.1
91	Odisha	Rayagada	0.1
92	Punjab	Ferozepur	23.9
93	Punjab	Moga	14.1
94	Rajasthan	Baran	18.3
95	Rajasthan	Dholpur	22.3
96	Rajasthan	Jaisalmer	5
97	Rajasthan	Karauli	9.1
98	Rajasthan	Sirohi	4.8

99	Sikkim	Soreng	4.1
100	Sikkim	West District	10
101	Tamil Nadu	Ramanathapuram	15.1
102	Tamil Nadu	Virudhunagar	18.1
103	Telangana	Bhadradi Kothagudem	11.4
104	Telangana	Jayashankar Bhupalpally	13.6
105	Telangana	Kumurum Bheem Asifabad	6.6
106	Tripura	Dhalai	30.3
107	Uttar Pradesh	Bahraich	14.1
108	Uttar Pradesh	Balrampur	20.5
109	Uttar Pradesh	Chandauli	38.7
110	Uttar Pradesh	Chitrakoot	26.8
111	Uttar Pradesh	Fatehpur	28.5
112	Uttar Pradesh	Shravasti	16
113	Uttar Pradesh	Siddharthnagar	15
114	Uttar Pradesh	Sonbhadra	10.5
115	Uttarakhand	Haridwar	19.6
116	Uttarakhand	Udham Singh Nagar	10.1
	Jharkhand	All districts	20.3
Total			1582.8

Alluri Sitaramaraju, Parvathipuram Manyam, Soreng and Mohla-Manpur-Ambagarh Chowki replaced Visakhapatnam, Vizianagaram, West District and Rajnandgaon respectively after the bifurcation or trifurcation of the latter set of districts. The above districts include the details of former and current districts, hence the count is 116.
