

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 884
TO BE ANSWERED ON TUESDAY, 11th FEBRUARY, 2025
22 MAGHA, 1946 (SAKA)

FINANCIAL LOAN TO ASSAM

884. **SHRI AJIT KUMAR BHUYAN:**

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of loan taken by Government of Assam from the period starting from 01.04.2021 to 01.06.2024;
- (b) the source from which such loan was taken and the amount of loan taken from each of the financial institution;
- (c) whether such loan is free of interest or any interest is charged;
- (d) the rate at which interest is charged on such loans; and
- (e) amount of repayment made by Government of Assam as on 01.06.2024?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b) As per the information received from the State Government of Assam, the amount of loan taken from the Union Government by the State Government of Assam during the period from 01.04.2021 to 01.06.2024 is as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Block Loan for Externally Aided Projects (EAPs)	Interest free loan for Capital Expenditure (CAPEX)
2021-22	154.48	600.00
2022-23	135.48	4300.14
2023-24	200.75	5804.43
2024-25 (upto 01.06.2024)	40.51	Nil

The Union Government borrows from External Agencies/Multilateral Institutions against Externally Aided Projects of the State. In case of North-Eastern & Hill States, the amount of loan is passed on to the State Governments in the form of 90% grant and 10% Block Loan.

(c) and (d) Interest is being charged at 9% per annum in case of Block Loans released to the State for Externally Aided Project. The loan provided to the States for Capital Expenditure (Capex) under the Scheme of Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment/Expenditure is interest free.

(e) The details of amount of repayment made by Government of Assam as on 01.06.2024 is as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Block Loan for Externally Aided Projects (EAPs)	Interest free loan for Capital Expenditure (CAPEX)
2021-22	154.03	Nil. The repayment is to be done after 50 years of release of loan amount.
2022-23	159.80	
2023-24	165.56	
2024-25 (upto 01.06.2024)	0.00	
