

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1848

TO BE ANSWERED ON TUESDAY, 16th DECEMBER, 2025
25 AGRAHAYANA, 1947 (SAKA)

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO HIMACHAL PRADESH

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Will the Minister of **Finance** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry provides financial assistance to all States, including Himachal Pradesh, for development projects, social welfare schemes, and infrastructure creation;
- (b) if so, the total amount allocated and released to Himachal Pradesh by the Ministry under various Schemes of the Finance Ministry during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Ministry also provides any special package for hill States like Himachal Pradesh; and
- (d) if so, the details of the amount disbursed so far and the major sectors in which it has been utilized?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes, The Ministry of Finance releases funds to States including State of Himachal Pradesh under the heads-Tax Devolution, Finance Commission Grants, Special Assistance, Additional Central Assistance for Externally Aided Projects (EAPs) and Loan under the Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Expenditure/Investment etc. These funds are utilised by States for development projects, social welfare schemes, and infrastructure creation.

(b) The year-wise details of funds released to State of Himachal Pradesh during last 3 years under various heads by the Ministry of Finance are provided in **Annexure**.

(c) & (d). In case of North-Eastern and Hill States, Additional Central Assistance (ACA) for Externally Aided Projects (EAPs) is provided to States as 90% grant and only 10% as loan. ACA for EAP released to Himachal Pradesh from FY 2020-21 to FY 2025-26 (till 10.12.2025) is Rs. 6,064.17 crore. Moreover, the States are also provided substantial financial assistance under the Scheme of Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) annually since Financial Year (FY) 2020-21. Under the scheme, from FY 2020-21 till FY 2025-26 (till 10.12.2025), Rs. 6,736.63 crore has been released to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh. The funds under the scheme have been released to Himachal Pradesh for capital investment project in different sectors like Education, Power, Transport, Water supply and Roads/Bridges etc.

**ANNEXURE REFERRED IN THE ANSWER OF PART (b) OF RAJYA SABHA
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Details of funds released to State of Himachal Pradesh from FY 2022-23 to 2024-25

(Rs. in crore)

Heads	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
Tax Devolution	7883.98	9374.72	10681.24
Finance Commission Grants	10489.70	8738.16	7344.99
Additional Central Assistance for Externally Aided Projects (EAPs)	890.33	1331.83	1403.21
Loan under Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Expenditure/Investment	650.80	1515.97	2381.37