

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *240
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2026

THE PROGRESS OF ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS PROGRAMME

*240. SHRI DEBASHISH SAMANTARAY:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress of the Aspirational Districts Programme; and
- (b) the districts in the State of Odisha covered under the programme?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS
& 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) & (b) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF RAJYA SABHA
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(a) & (b) The Aspirational Districts Programme monitors the progress of Aspirational Districts on 49 Key Performance Indicators across sectors such as health & nutrition, education, agriculture & water resource, financial inclusion & skill development and basic infrastructure. There are 10 Aspirational Districts in Odisha, details of which is attached as Annexure I. The district-wise status of the performance of Aspirational Districts is available on the Champions of Change Portal (<http://championsofchange.gov.in>), which is publicly accessible.

ANNEXURE-I

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF RAJYA SABHA
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List of 10 Aspirational Districts under ADP in Odisha

Sr. No.	District Name
1.	Balangir
2.	Dhenkanal
3.	Gajapati
4.	Kalahandi
5.	Kandhamal
6.	Koraput
7.	Malkangiri
8.	Nabarangapur
9.	Nuapada
10.	Rayagada
