

LOK SABHA

Unstarred Question No.228

To be answered on

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Question

Development of North eastern States

228. SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE:

Will the Minister of Development of North Eastern Region be pleased to state:

- (a) whether most of the North Eastern States are lagging behind from development point of view;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to develop the North Eastern States at par with rest of the States of the Country?

ANSWER

The Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

[Dr. Jitendra Singh]

- a) Some States in the North Eastern Region have shown performance better than the National average on several developmental indicators such as per capita income, per capita monthly expenditure, growth rate, poverty etc.
- b) A comparative table on the developmental indicators is annexed.
- c) Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region is assigned the function of coordinating the efforts of the Government for development of North Eastern Region.

The Ministry also funds developmental initiatives through various schemes of North Eastern Council and through its schemes such as Non Lapsable Central Pool of Resources and livelihood enhancements. Fifty Six Ministries/Departments earmarked Rs. 33,097.02 crore for the North Eastern States in 2016-17. North East is now better connected with broad gauging of the major rail networks in the entire region. Setup in 2014, National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) is fully functional in all eight States and is now fast tracking road building activity in the entire North East. NHIDCL has also undertaken up gradation of neglected, but critical inter-state roads, a new scheme launched by Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region. With improvement in infrastructure and facilities and viability gap funding to Alliance Air by North Eastern Council, there are more flights operating to and from the North East. 19 rivers of North East have been recently declared as National Waterways. Mobile and broadband connectivity in remotest region has received a major impetus under the Comprehensive Telecom Development Plan and heavy investment in power transmission with two projects covering all the 8 states have been undertaken. Under the new scheme of Swadesh Darshan – development of 8 circuits have so far been sanctioned. A new scheme exclusively for the North East to promote value chain based organic farming with emphasis on value addition and marketing has been launched.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of Unstarred Lok Sabha Question No. 228 for answer on 16.11.2016

State	Population (in lakhs)	Growth rate ¹	Income (Rs.) ^{1a}	MPCE (Rs.) ²		Poverty Ratio ³	IMR ⁴ (2014)	Education ⁵	Employment ⁶		
	Census 2011	GSDP growth during 2004-05 to 2013-14 at constant prices (2004-05)	Per capita NSDP 2013-14 at current prices	rural	urban	Estimate for 2011-12		Literacy rate (census 2011)	drop out rate at primary level	Worker population ratio (WPR) (workers per 1000 population)	Unemployment rate (%)
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	13.84	6.41	85468	1782	2654	37.4	30	65.38	14.8	368	2.2
ASSAM	312.06	5.69	44263	1219	2189	40.9	49	72.19	11.7	341	4.6
MANIPUR	25.7	5.42	41573	1502	1483	46.7	11	79.21	12.1	372	3.7
MEGHALAYA	29.67	8.32	61548	1475	2436	24.4	46	74.43	15.1	435	0.8
MIZORAM	10.97	9.20	76120	1644	2568	27.4	32	91.33	7	432	3.2
NAGALAND	19.79	7.60	77529	2059	2284	14.0	14	79.55	6	367	17.7
SIKKIM	6.11	17.6	176491	1565	2608	17.8	19	81.42	4.3	519	1.2
TRIPURA	36.74	8.77	69705	1334	2144	24.9	21	87.22	6.2	388	12.8
INDIA	12105.70	7.74	74380	1430	2630	29.5	39	72.99	6.5	386	2.2

1 CSO, State series as on 30.07.2015 with base year 2004-05

1a Web portal of NITI Ayog (Source: State Directorates and CSO)

- 2 NSS 68th round survey (2011-12) report No. NSS KI (68/1.0)
- 3 As per Rangarajan Committee report
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- 4 website.
- 5 Web portal of NITI Ayog (Source: District Information System for Educaion (DISE), 2011-12)
- 6 NSS 68th round survey (2011-12) report No.NSS KI (68/10)

