Government of India Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

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Question

Funds Allocation and Expenditure for NER

6015. SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL: SHRI PARESH RAVAL: SHRI D.S. RATHOD:

Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of allocation of funds and the details of expenditure for the North Eastern (NE) states under various schemes by the Ministry of NER during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) whether his Ministry could not succeed to implement the welfare schemes properly for these States and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the progress made regarding the sealing of Indo-Bangladesh border so far; and

(d) the number of kilometers of roads constructed in the border areas during the last three years, State-wise?

ANSWER

The Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region [Dr. Jitendra Singh]

(a) Data regarding allocation of funds to Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region and expenditure incurred during the period 2014-2015 to 2017-2018 is given below:-

				(₹ in crore)
	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
Budget	2332.78	2362.74	2430.01	2682.45
Estimates				
Revised	1825.45	2000.14	2524.42	2682.45
Estimates				
Actual	1719.13	1986.79	2495.84	2568.17
Expenditure				(Provisional)

(b) No, Madam. Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region provides assistance for projects prioritized by State Governments of North Eastern States for filling gaps in physical infrastructure. North Eastern Council provides funds mostly to the State Governments for projects in sectors like agriculture, education, tourism, health, air connectivity, power, water development, tourism, transport & communication, medical & health, etc.

(c) As per the information available, out of the 3326 kms. of sanctioned length of fence along Indo-Bangladesh Border, 2746.44 kms. has been completed. The Government has adopted a multipronged approach for security arrangements at the borders, which include deployment of Border Guarding Force (BGF), construction of border fence, construction of border roads, installation of floodlights, construction of Border Out Posts (BOPs), introduction of Hi-tech surveillance equipment, besides identifying vulnerable BOPs, etc.

(d) As per the information given by the Ministry of Home Affairs, 77.30 kms. of roads have been constructed along the Indo – Bangladesh border, during the last three years i.e. 2015-16 to 2017-18.
