GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1095

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24THJULY, 2018/ SHRAVANA 2, 1940 (SAKA)

OBJECTIVE OF BADP

1095. DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Border Area Development Programme (BADP) was launched to meet the special development needs of the people living in remote and inaccessible areas near the border;
- (b) whether the main objective of the scheme was to create infrastructure in border areas, provide economic opportunities to people living in the vicinity of the border, instill a sense of security among the people living in border areas etc.;
- (c) if so, whether the Government has failed to build infrastructure, provide economic opportunities and instill a sense of security in border areas like Uri, Ladakh, Poonch, etc.;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken/ being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) & (b): Yes. The objective of the Border Area Development Programme (BADP) is to meet the special developmental needs and well-being of the people living in remote and inaccessible areas situated near the international border and to provide essential infrastructure in these border areas. The programme is supplemental in nature which aims to augment the pace of development in the border areas. The creation of economic

opportunities is an integral part of BADP and the guidelines for implementation of BADP provide provisions for Skill Development and Capacity Building projects for youth for self-employment and skill upgradation.

(c) to (e): The works/projects under this scheme are planned and prioritized by the State Government and projects have been sanctioned for Uri, Ladakh and Poonch too. Funds released by Ministry of Home Affairs to Jammu and Kashmir during the last four years is as follows:

Year	Amount (Rs. in Crore)		
2014-15	115.2		
2015-16	130.11		
2016-17	190.39		
2017-18	198.89		
Total	634.59		

The district-wise details of funds released to Leh, Kargil, Baramulla and Poonch districts during the last four years are as follows:

SI. No.	District	Amount released Year-wise (Rs. in Crore)			
		2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
1.	Leh	11.95	12.38	12.92	20.25
2.	Kargil	4.97	5.15	5.65	11.23
3.	Baramulla (including Uri Block)	9.67	11.25	11.18	24.34
4.	Poonch	5.17	7.39	7.68	14.83

These development initiatives coupled with security measures resulted in instilling a sense of security amongst people living in border areas.
