Government of India Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

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QUESTION Non-lapsable Central Pool of Resources

1545. SHRI SANKAR PRASAD DATTA:

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

- (a) the details of funds allocated to the North Eastern States under the non-lapsable central pool of resources scheme and the actual funding made available to the NE States, year-wise;
- (b) the quantum of allocated funds which was actually utilized by the NE States and the quantum of funds lapsed at the end of the financial year; and
- (c) whether the Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources has indeed been a Central budgetary support rather than a pool for faster growth of NE States and if not, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) The details of funds allocated to the North Eastern States under the scheme of Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) scheme administered by the Ministry in the last three years is as under:-

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Budget Estimates	Revised Estimates
2015-16	975.00	605.10
2016-17	695.00	645.00
2017-18	695.50	700.07

The entire amount available at the RE stage was utilised.

- (b) Under this scheme, the entire funds were released to State Governments on the basis of sanctions for new projects and utilisation certificates, Quarterly Progress Reports etc. in respect of ongoing projects.
- (c) The annual allocation to Ministry of DoNER under NLCPR scheme is determined through the normal budgetary process of the Government of India. Earmarked spending by Central Ministries in the North Eastern Region have contributed to improved connectivity and infrastructure. In recent years, the average growth rate of NE states has been relatively higher than the all India average.
