Government of India Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4042

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Funds for Development of NER

4042. SHRIMATI QUEEN OJA:

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

(a) the details of the funds that were allocated for the development of the North Eastern Region (NER) from 2010-11 to 2018-19;

(b) the amount of funds actually spent during these years;

(c) the major projects on which these funds were spent;

(d) whether any outcome-based assessment has been carried out on this expenditure over the last nine years;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b) All non-exempt Union Ministries are required to mandatorily earmark 10% of their Gross Budgetary Allocation annually for the North Eastern Region (NER). As per available information, the earmarking of funds for NER and provisional expenditure (subject to final vetting by Ministry of Finance) from 2014-15 to 2018-19 is as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Budget Estimate	Revised Estimate	Expenditure
2014-15	36,107.56	27,359.17	24819.18
2015-16	29,087.93	29,669.22	28673.73
2016-17	29,124.79	32,180.08	29367.90
2017-18	43,244.64	40,971.69	39,753.44*
2018-19	47,994.88	47,087.95	45,518.14**

* Data pertaining to 53 out of 54 Ministries is based on details furnished by respective Ministries, while data of one Ministry is based on PFMS.

** Data pertaining to 48 out of 54 Ministries is based on details furnished by respective Ministries, while data of six Ministries is based on PFMS.

The Budgetary allocation to Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region and the funds utilised from 2010-11 to 2018-19 is given below:-

(Rs. ir	n crore)
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Year	Budget Estimate	Revised Estimate	Expenditure
2010-11	1759.33	1759.33	1640.53
2011-12	1762.58	1664.27	1649.79
2012-13	1929.33	1750.68	1666.57
2013-14	2030.97	1830.00	1804.87
2014-15	2332.78	1825.45	1719.44
2015-16	2362.74	2000.14	1986.80
2016-17	2430.01	2524.42	2495.84
2017-18	2682.45	2682.45	2513.97
2018-19	3000.00	2629.48	1960.66

(c) Major expenditure was incurred by different Ministries in infrastructure sectors such as roads, power, etc. and in social sectors such as education, health, women & child development, rural development, etc. in North Eastern Region in these years. Ministry of DoNER has taken up projects under the schemes of Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources, North Eastern Council (NEC), North East Road Sector Development Scheme, North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS), Special Packages for funding identified infrastructure and development projects of the Bodoland Territorial Council, Karbi Anglong Territorial Council and Dima Hasao Territorial Council and the externally aided North East Rural Livelihood Project (NERLP) for filing gaps in physical infrastructure in the North Eastern Region, particularly in roads, power & water and in social sectors like livelihood, health, education etc.

(d) to (f) Third party evaluation of all the ongoing schemes was carried out in 2017-18 for outcome based review before their continuation beyond the 12th five year plan. These schemes will lead to better connectivity within the country as well as with neighbouring countries, improved tourist arrivals, sustainable livelihoods, improved power availability, improved access to education and health services, etc. in the North Eastern States.