GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PLANNING

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2368 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2023

MEASURES TO CONTROL FLOOD AND EROSION IN ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS

2368. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has come up with measures to control flood and erosion for Aspirational districts like Barpeta where people are left homeless and shelter less every year.
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether the Government has any plans to make provisions to address the matter with regard to Aspirational districts; and
- (c) whether the Government has any plans to notify more Aspirational districts and if so, whether Bongaigaon and Bajali districts of Assam are likely to be included as Aspirational districts?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

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- (a) and (b) The Aspirational Districts Programme is essentially a template for improving governance. The programme monitors all Aspirational Districts on a monthly basis across 49 key performance indicators. These indicators fall under crucial sectors of Health and Nutrition, Education, Agriculture & Water Resources, Financial Inclusion and Skill Development and Basic Infrastructure. The Programme aims at rapid transformation of relatively underdeveloped Districts. It is envisaged that an improvement in the indicators under focus in this programme will result in improvement in the quality of life of citizens.
- (c) At present there is no proposal to add more districts under the Aspirational Districts Programme.
