

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1713**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2023

**ASPIRATIONAL BLOCKS PROGRAMME IN ODISHA**

1713. SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has launched Aspirational Blocks Programme (ABP);
- (b) whether Aspirational Blocks Programme is on the lines of Aspirational Districts Programme (ADP) and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the blocks which are going to be covered under ABP in the State of Odisha, district-wise; and
- (d) the details of funds allocated, sanctioned, released and utilized for Odisha, district-wise?

**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

**(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)**

- (a) Yes, Sir. The Government has launched the Aspirational Blocks Programme (ABP) in January 2023.
- (b) The Aspirational Blocks Programme (ABP) expands upon the Aspirational Districts Programme, broadening its scope to cover 500 relatively underdeveloped blocks. The goal of ABP is to expedite socio-economic development in these blocks, bringing good governance closer to the grassroots. Similar to the Aspirational Districts Programme, ABP employs a Key Performance Indicator Framework for regular monitoring and ranking of blocks based on their incremental progress. Additionally, ABP emphasizes the capacity building of block level officials and implements tailored initiatives to address challenges faced by vulnerable populations.

(c) The details of the list of blocks covered under ABP in the State of Odisha, district-wise is given as **Annexure 1**.

(d) The details of the funds allocated, sanctioned and released for Odisha, district-wise is given as **Annexure 2**. As the program implementation is in its initial phase, specific details regarding the utilization of funds will be documented in due course.

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**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1713 FOR 13.12.2023 BY SHRIMATI SARMISTHA SETHI: REGARDING ASPIRATIONAL BLOCKS PROGRAMME IN ODISHA**

**List of blocks covered under ABP in the State of Odisha**

<b>SI No</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Block</b>
1	Balangir	Puintala
2	Bargarh	Paikamal
3	Dhenkanal	Kankada Had
4	Gajapati	Gumma
5	Gajapati	R. Udaygiri
6	Kalahandi	Madanpur Rampur
7	Kalahandi	Thuamul Rampur
8	Kandhamal	Phiringia
9	Kandhamal	Tumudibandh
10	Keonjhar	Banspal
11	Keonjhar	Harichandanpur
12	Koraput	Lamtaput
13	Koraput	Laxmipur
14	Malkangiri	Chitrkonda
15	Malkangiri	Khairaput

16	Malkangiri	Mathili
17	Mayurbhanj	Joshipur
18	Mayurbhanj	Thakurmunda
19	Nabarangapur	Dabugaon
20	Nabarangapur	Tentulikhunti
21	Nayagarh	Dasapalla
22	Nuapada	Boden
23	Nuapada	Komna
24	Raygada	Muniguda
25	Raygada	Padmapur
26	Sambalpur	Naktideol
27	Sundargarh	Balisankara
28	Sundargarh	Nuagaon

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**Details of the funds allocated, sanctioned and released for Odisha, district-wise**

<b>District</b>	<b>No. of Aspirational Blocks in the District</b>	<b>Amount Allocated (in lakhs)</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned (in lakhs)</b>	<b>Amount Released (in lakhs)</b>
Balangir	2	₹17.30	₹17.30	₹17.30
Bargarh	1	₹8.65	₹8.65	₹8.65
Dhenkanal	1	₹8.65	₹8.65	₹8.65
Gajapati	2	₹17.30	₹17.30	₹17.30
Kalahandi	2	₹17.30	₹17.30	₹17.30
Kandhamal	2	₹17.30	₹17.30	₹17.30
Keonjhar	2	₹17.30	₹17.30	₹17.30
Koraput	2	₹17.30	₹17.30	₹17.30
Malkangiri	3	₹25.95	₹25.95	₹25.95
Mayurbhanj	2	₹17.30	₹17.30	₹17.30
Nabarangapur	2	₹17.30	₹17.30	₹17.30
Nayagarh	1	₹8.65	₹8.65	₹8.65
Nuapada	2	₹17.30	₹17.30	₹17.30
Raygada	2	₹17.30	₹17.30	₹17.30
Sambalpur	1	₹8.65	₹8.65	₹8.65
Sundargarh	2	₹17.30	₹17.30	₹17.30

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