## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 35

TO BE ANSWERED Monday, November 18, 2019/Kartika 27, 1941 (Saka)

### **Release of Special Development Fund**

## 35. SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHANA RAJU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has released Special Development Funds as promised to the Andhra Pradesh State during last five years from 2014-19;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with district-wise break-up;
- (c) whether the attention of the Government is drawn to the fact that some funds have not been released and are still pending;
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government for early release of the balance funds as promised?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE FOR FINANCE (SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

(a) & (e): Following the recommendations of NITI Aayog in its report on "Developmental support to the successor State of Andhra Pradesh under Andhra Pradesh Re-organisation Act (APRA), 2014" dated 01.12.2015 Department of Expenditure has released Rs.1050 crore towards Special Development Package under Section 46(2) & (3) and 94(2) of APRA, 2014 to the successor State of Andhra Pradesh in three instalments of Rs.350 crore each @ Rs.50 per district for the 7 backward districts of the State. Special Development Funds have been released for the districts namely: Anantapur, Chittoor, Cuddapah, Kurnool, Srikakulam, Vishakhapatnam and Vizianagaram.

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