## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PLANNING

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4491 TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.03.2022

#### PROJECTS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF UTTAR PRADESH

#### 4491. SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of projects approved by NITI Aayog for the development of Uttar Pradesh during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the current status of the implementation of the said development projects especially in Sultanpur Parliamentary constituency; and
- (c) the details of the amount of funds released by the Government for the purpose during the said period?

#### **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS & 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) to (c) The erstwhile Planning Commission approved/sanctioned project proposals received from State Governments under One Time Additional Central Assistance (OTACA)/ Special Plan Assistance (SPA) till 2014-2015 and then recommended to the Ministry of Finance for the release of funds. Subsequent to the establishment of NITI Aayog, the practice of approval/sanction of such project proposals has been discontinued from 2015-16 following the acceptance of recommendations of 14th Finance Commission for increased devolution to the States by way of enhancing the share of States in the divisible tax pool from 32% to 42% resulting in increased fund transfer to the States. NITI Aayog is the successor in interest to the Planning Commission. It is a think tank to the Government to provide critical directional and strategic input into the development process. Approval of Central/State projects is no longer under the purview of the NITI Aayog.

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