

Government of India  
Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2745**

To be answered on  
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**QUESTION**  
**Funds allocated for infrastructural development in Sikkim**

**2745. Dr. Indra Hang Subba:**

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

- a. the details of the total funds allocated by the Government for infrastructural development in Sikkim during the last ten years;
- b. whether the Government has any specific policy for development of border areas in the North Eastern region and if so, the details thereof;
- c. the Percentage of funds allocated by the Government in the region for development of educational institution during the last five years;
- d. the total amount of funds utilised for entrepreneurial ventures; and
- e. the total amount of funds allocated and utilised during the last five years for establishment of research centres in the region?

**Answer**

**The Minister of State of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region  
(Dr. Sukanta Majumdar)**

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- a. Ministry of DoNER has sanctioned a total of Rs 1506.02 crore for infrastructure projects in Sikkim under its various schemes during the last 10 years besides 10% of the Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) of Central Ministries/Departments being spent for

the North Eastern Region (NER) to ensure the availability of basic minimum services and infrastructure.

b. The Ministry of DoNER sanctions various developmental projects under its various schemes which also include projects for the development of Border area in the North eastern region. Additionally, 54 Central Ministries/Department have been mandated to set apart 10% of their Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) for the North Eastern Region (NER) to undertake developmental projects in NER including the border areas.

c. Ministry of Education has spent Rs.39827.6 cr for development of educational institutions in the NER during the last five years period. Ministry of DoNER has also sanctioned 10.32% (Rs 1519.01 crore out of total of Rs. 14713.93 crore) of the total sanctioned funds for development of educational institutions under the schemes of the Ministry in the same period.

d. During the last five years, the Ministry of DoNER has sanctioned 18 projects worth Rs 65.65 crore for entrepreneurial ventures related activities under Schemes of NEC. In addition to this, under “North Eastern Region Entrepreneurship Summit East(NERES) 1.0” with an approved cost of Rs 2.99 crore, a total no. of 150 entrepreneurs have been supported.

e. During the last five years, 3 projects worth of Rs 27.11 crore have been sanctioned under Scheme of NEC for research centers in the NER by the Ministry of DoNER. Government of India through Department of Science and Technology has been implementing two schemes, viz. Fund for Improvement of S&T Infrastructure (FIST) program and Promotion of University Research and Scientific Excellence (PURSE) scheme, with the objective of establishment of research facilities, upgradation of research facilities in academic institutions orienting towards creating a self- reliant India including the NE states.

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