GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE

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INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

2816. SHRI YOGENDER CHANDOLIA: SHRI DINESHBHAI MAKWANA: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI JASWANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR: SHRI KHAGEN MURMU: DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** be pleased to state: वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) the extent to which the Mega Infrastructure Projects align with the overall infrastructure development goals of the Government in the country including Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Delhi, and Jharkhand;
- (b) the details of role of the private sector playing in these projects and the details of incentives are being provided;
- (c) whether these infrastructure projects contribute to economic growth and employment generation in the respective States;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the extent to which DPIIT monitoring and evaluating the progress of these projects to ensure timely execution?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जितिन प्रसाद) THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (d): Infrastructure projects are being implemented to enhance overall infrastructure, bolster multi-modal connectivity and promote balanced regional development throughout the country, including in States of Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Delhi and Jharkhand. These projects will generate both direct and indirect employment opportunities, benefiting the local regions and contributing to job creation on a national scale. Further, recognizing the multiplier impact of infrastructure investment, the Government of India has undertaken multiple initiatives to enable crowding in effect from private players in the infrastructure sector. Combining various

ministries, Gol has increased the capital expenditure budget by more than three times to INR 19.80 lakh crore in 2025-26 (BE) from INR 5.57 lakh crore in 2014-15. These figures include Gross Budgetary Support (GBS), Internal and Extra Budgetary Resources (IEBR) and Grants for the creation of capital assets. The strategic focus on infrastructure investment underscores the government's commitment to enhancing development and stimulating economic activity nationwide.

To further encourage private sector participation in the infrastructure sector, the government has implemented a series of strategic measures designed to create a favourable investment environment, reduce risk and enhance returns for private investors. Key initiatives include Viability Gap Funding (VGF) for PPP projects, promotion of InvITs/REITs and municipal bonds and asset monetization via the Toll-Operate-Transfer (ToT) model. Reforms have also been implemented to allow IDF-NBFCs to access ECBs (External Commercial Borrowings) and finance brownfield infrastructure assets directly. Institutions such as NIIF (National Investment and Infrastructure Fund), NaBFID (National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development) and IIFCL (India Infrastructure Finance Company Limited) have been capitalised to enhance long-term infrastructure financing.

(e): The Project Monitoring Group (PMG) is an institutional mechanism under DPIIT to remove bottlenecks and accelerate the pace of execution of infrastructure projects with an investment of more than Rs.500 crore. The milestone-based monitoring mechanism of PMG enables proactive monitoring of projects by capturing delays and issues at specific stages during execution of the project and helps in initiating course correction measures in time. This contributes towards mitigation of time and cost overruns in large-scale infrastructure projects. Currently, 2818 projects worth ₹68.8 lakh crore are being monitored under the PMG mechanism.
