

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3069
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19. 03.2025

ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS PROGRAMME IN MAHARASHTRA

†3069. SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS PAVAN RAJENIMBALKAR:
SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of districts identified under the Aspirational District Programme in Maharashtra;
- (b) the details of development work done in the said districts during the last five years;
- (c) the details of the institutions/agencies involved in the said work, especially in Osmanabad district;
- (d) the details of the funds allocated for the said programme district-wise;
- (e) whether the Government has any proposal to include more districts under the said programme in view of the high unemployment rate in various districts of Maharashtra;
- (f) if so, the details thereof;
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (h) the details of the ongoing development work under various Ministries in Osmanabad district including various districts of Maharashtra?

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 CULTURE

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) There are 4 Aspirational Districts under the Aspirational Districts Programme (ADP) in Maharashtra. The list of Aspirational Districts in Maharashtra is provided in Annexure 1.

- (b) The ADP aims at rapid transformation of 112 underdeveloped districts across India. The main strategy of the Programme is to ensure that development works under the existing schemes of Central and the State Governments are implemented efficiently to improve the socio- economic status of the districts. The Programme monitors 49 key performance indicators under the crucial sectors of Health and Nutrition, School Education and Basic Infrastructure, and also Agriculture and Water Resources and Financial Inclusion & Skill Development. The Aspirational district's performance is monitored on the basis of progress made on these indicators which is available in the public domain on the Champions of Change Dashboard (<http://championsofchange.gov.in/site/coc-home/>), including the performance of Aspirational Districts of Maharashtra.
- (c) ADP focuses on the effective implementation of existing Central and State Government schemes at the district level. The key institutions involved in the programme include the Central Government, State Governments, and district administrations. Additionally, Joint Secretary/Additional Secretary-level officials from the Government of India are designated as Central Prabhari Officers for each district. The role of these Prabhari Officers is to guide the district administration.
- (d) Under the Aspirational Districts Programme, districts undertake various developmental projects to address critical gaps using the financial grants they win through the programme's delta ranking method. The details of funds allocated to Aspirational Districts of Maharashtra is provided in Annexure II.
- (e) , (f) and (g) The Aspirational Districts Programme covers 112 districts across India. Currently, the programme is limited to 112 Aspirational Districts only.
- (h) Under ADP, the Ministries focus on development work through effective implementation of their existing schemes in Aspirational District.

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List of Aspirational Districts in Maharashtra

SI No	Districts
1	Gadchiroli
2	Nandurbar
3	Osmanabad
4	Washim

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Details of Funds allocated to districts on the basis of performance

Sl No	Districts	Amount allocated on the basis of performance (in Rs crores)
1	Gadchiroli	11.07
2	Nandurbar	32.03
3	Osmanabad	24.39
4	Washim	30.39
