GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2733

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 5^{TH} AUGUST, 2025/ SRAVANA 14, 1947 (SAKA) DEVELOPMENT IN BORDER AREA VILLAGES

†2733. SHRI ANIL BALUNI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the various efforts being made by the Government for the development of basic facilities in border area villages;
- (b) the amount of funds allocated for the development of such border area villages; and
- (c) the proposed scheme of the Government to impart training to the citizens in these areas about natural disasters?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)

(a) to (b): Government has approved the Vibrant Villages Programme-I (VVP-I), as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, on 15th February, 2023 for comprehensive development of the select villages in 46 blocks abutting northern border in 19 districts in the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Uttarakhand and UT of Ladakh with an outlay of ₹4800 crore from FY 2022-23 to 2025-26.

Government has also approved the Vibrant Villages Programme-II (VVP-II), as a Central Sector Scheme, with a total outlay of ₹6839 crore for the FY 2025-26 to 2028-29 for comprehensive development of select villages located in blocks abutting international land borders (ILBs), other than the Northern border already covered under VVP-I, in the States/UTs of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, J&K (UT), Ladakh (UT), Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tripura, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal to create better living conditions and adequate livelihood opportunities to ensure prosperous and safe borders, control trans-border crime and assimilate the border population with the nation.

Border Area Development Programme (BADP) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) to meet the special developmental needs and well-being of the people living in border areas (scheme in sunset stage). The budgetary allocation for BADP during the last 10 years is ₹6634.24 Crore.

(c): NDRF has been actively involved in strengthening disaster resilience at the grassroots level by conducting Community Awareness Programmmes

across both urban and rural regions. These programmes are designed to educate, sensitize and empower local communities particularly those residing in disaster prone or vulnerable areas to respond effectively during emergencies and minimize loss of life and property. Over the past five years, the NDRF has conducted 5,451 Community Awareness Programmes in border states, from which 7,68,116 beneficiaries have been benefited.
