

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3691
ANSWERED ON 12.08.2025

BACKWARD REGION GRANT FUND

3691.SMT. MALA ROY:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the total number of districts that were selected for Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the details of funds approved in this regard, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the fund that has been released as on 15.07.2025, State-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ

(PROF. S. P. SINGH BAGHEL)

(a) The Ministry of Panchayati Raj was implementing the Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) Programme (District component) during the year 2006-07 to 2014-15 in 272 districts of 28 States of the country. The State-wise number of these Districts is enclosed at **Annexure -I**.

(b) & (c) During the implementation period of the BRGF Programme, grants amounting to approximately ₹27,638.11 crore were released to the States and Districts covered under the scheme. These funds were aimed at addressing critical gaps in local development and strengthening the capacity of elected representatives of Panchayati Raj Institutions. State-wise details of funds released under the BRGF Programme are enclosed at **Annexure-II**.

The BRGF Programme was delinked from Central Government budgetary support from the financial year 2015–16, following the implementation of the Fourteenth Finance Commission's recommendations. Under these recommendations, the States' share in the net proceeds of Union taxes was significantly increased from 32% to 42%, thereby providing them with enhanced fiscal autonomy to design and finance development schemes, particularly for backward regions.

Annexure-I

**Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.
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State-wise list of 272 Districts Covered Under BRGF Programme

Sl.No.	State	No. of BRGF Districts
1	Andhra Pradesh	4
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1
3	Assam	13
4	Bihar	38
5	Chhattisgarh	15
6	Gujarat	6
7	Haryana	2
8	Himachal Pradesh	2
9	Jammu & Kashmir	5
10	Jharkhand	23
11	Karnataka	6
12	Kerala	2
13	Madhya Pradesh	30
14	Maharashtra	12
15	Manipur	3
16	Meghalaya	3
17	Mizoram	2
18	Nagaland	5
19	Odisha	20
20	Punjab	1
21	Rajasthan	13
22	Sikkim	1
23	Tamil Nadu	6
24	Telangana	9
25	Tripura	1
26	Uttar Pradesh	35
27	Uttarakhand	3
28	West Bengal	11
Total		272

Annexure-II

**Annexure referred to in reply to part (b)& (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.
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State-wise funds Released under the BRGF Programme during 2006-07 to 2014-15

(Rs. in crores)

Sl.No.	State	Funds released
1	Andhra Pradesh	831.45
2	Arunachal Pradesh	78.97
3	Assam	736.13
4	Bihar	3828.43
5	Chhattisgarh	1837.85
6	Gujarat	479.73
7	Haryana	200.47
8	Himachal Pradesh	207.76
9	Jammu & Kashmir	225.16
10	Jharkhand	1526.37
11	Karnataka	633.53
12	Kerala	163.27
13	Madhya Pradesh	2995.59
14	Maharashtra	1562.30
15	Manipur	262.22
16	Meghalaya	206.58
17	Mizoram	165.20
18	Nagaland	301.56
19	Odisha	2149.42
20	Punjab	76.70
21	Rajasthan	1761.57
22	Sikkim	87.55
23	Tamil Nadu	632.53
24	Telangana	1607.02
25	Tripura	86.70
26	Uttar Pradesh	3187.07
27	Uttarakhand	148.66
28	West Bengal	1658.33
Total		27638.11
