

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1477
ANSWERED ON 09.12.2025

FUNDS FOR PANCHAYAT DEVELOPMENT IN BIHAR

1477. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds allocated utilized and remaining unutilised under Centrally Sponsored Schemes for the development of Panchayats in Bihar during the last five years; and
- (b) whether any specific funds have been earmarked for Panchayats to support the development of various social groups, deprived sections and for promoting employment, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ

(SHRI RAJEEV RANJAN SINGH ALIAS LALAN SINGH)

(a) & (b) The Ministry of Panchayati Raj implements the only Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) for capacity building of the elected representatives and functionaries of the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs). Also, assistance in limited scale is provided for infrastructure needs such as construction of Gram Panchayat Bhawan and computerisation. This scheme is implemented in all the States/UTs of the country including in Bihar. The status of allocation/release of Central Share of funds, utilisation and unspent amount under the scheme during the last five years is as under:

(Rs. in Crores)			
Year	Fund Allocated/Released	Funds Utilised	Unspent Balance
2020-21	0.00	12.81	126.31
2021-22	63.77	101.01	84.98
2022-23	33.37	70.07	84.98
2023-24	25.00	51.81	76.47
2024-25	0.00	78.05	1.25

Note: Utilisation of funds includes unspent balance of previous years/scheme, funds retuned from implementing agencies after implementation of SNA module and matching State share released by the State Government under the scheme.

The funds are released under RGSA for capacity building of the elected representatives and functionaries of the PRIs from all socio-economic groups. Funds for the Scheduled Castes (SC) and Scheduled Tribes (ST) under the scheme are earmarked in proportion to their population in the country.
