GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFPLANNING RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO19.11.2009 ANSWERED ON ALLOCATIONS TO RAJASTHAN .

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Will the Minister of COALCOALEXTERNAL AFFAIRSPLANNING be pleased to state :to the answer to Unstarred Question 77 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 2nd July, 2009 and state:

(a) the additional plan and non-plan allocation made by the government to industries, rural industries, water resources, agriculture and basic infrastructure in Rajasthan to bring growth rate in these areas equivalent to National Average and the growth registered as a result thereof, Sector –wise;

(b) the amount and purpose for which allocation have been made from Backward Area Grant Fund during the last three years, year-wise and the enhancement in growth registered as a result thereof;

(c) whether the State Government of Rajasthan has been demanding to accord special status to the State persistently and the same is being denied continuously; and

(d) whether Government would take action to accord special status to the State now?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 9 REGARDING "ALLOCATIONS TO RAJASTHAN" BY SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI AND DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.11.2009

Planning Commission has approved Plan outlay of Rs. 17,322 crore for Rajasthan for the year 2009-10. This includes Central assistance of Rs. 2448.66 crore. The sector wise allocation proposed by the State Government and approved by the Planning Commission for the Annual Plan 2009-10 is at Annex-I. The allocation of non Plan funds in 2009-10 (Twelfth Finance Commission Devolution/Grants minus share in Central taxes) is Rs. 1030.51 crore, details of which are at Annex-II. Rajasthan has registered an annual average growth rate of 7.2% in the period 2005-06 to 2007-08 as against the national average of 9.4%. The approved Plan outlay for Rajasthan during the same period has registered average annual growth of 20.5%. During 2008-09 and 2009-10, approved Plan outlay has increased by 20.3% and 23.7%, respectively. The growth rate of individual sectors is dependent upon sector specific policies and other factors such as resource endowment, infrastructure development, enabling macro economic environment etc.