

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PLANNING  
LOK SABHA**

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BORDER AREA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME  
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**Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:**

- (a) the amount disbursed under the Border Area Development Project to various states of the country during last three years, year-wise ;
- (b) the amount spent over to administrative work and the percentage thereof spent, borderwise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to check the unnecessary administrative expenditure?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF PLANNING, STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES

(SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) Under the Border Area Development Programme, Special Central Assistance is allocated to the States with blocks which have an international border. The allocations are in Table-I.

(b) Only three states have reported expenditure on administrative work. The expenditure on this head and the percentage to the total amount released are in Table-II.

(c) The main objective of the Programme is to meet the special needs of the people living in remote, inaccessible areas situated near the border, hence the State Level Screening Committees generally approve schemes of this nature only, and an attempt is made to keep administrative expenditure to a minimum.

TABLE I

**BORDER AREA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME: SPECIAL CENTRAL ASSISTANCE DISBURSED DURING LAST THREE YEARS**

Rs. crore

States	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
Assam	2.06	4.27	7.20
Gujarat	8.58	8.88	9.87
J&K	10.34	31.38	33.52
Meghalaya	3.95	4.11	4.52
Mizoram	6.73	6.82	8.00
Punjab	8.54	7.72	9.70
Rajasthan	25.63	26.52	29.17
Tripura	10.96	11.34	12.47
West Bengal	15.00	29.38	38.05
Arunachal Pradesh	4.00	11.00	13.00
Manipur	4.00	4.00	4.00
Nagaland	4.00	4.00	4.00
Himachal Pradesh	-	4.00	4.00
Sikkim	-	4.00	5.50
Uttar Pradesh	-	4.00	12.00
Bihar	-	-	7.00

Note: Border Area Development Programme was extended to the China border in 1998-99 and to the Bhutan and Nepal borders in 1999-2000.

TABLE-II

**BORDER AREA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME: YEAR WISE RELEASES, EXPENDITURE ON ADMINISTRATIVE WORK AND PERCENTAGE OF EXPENDITURE ON ADMINISTRATIVE WORK TO AMOUNT RELEASED**

Rs. lakh

State / Year Releases Expenditure Percentage

Rajasthan

1997-98	2563.00	3.53	0.14
1998-99	2652.00	32.50	1.23
1999-2000	2917.00	4.53	0.16

J & K

1997-98	1034.00	10.13	0.98
1998-99	3138.00	10.00	0.32
1999-2000	3352.00	8.13	0.24

Mizoram

1997-98	673.00	1.50	0.22
1998-99	682.00	0.00	0.00
1999-2000	800.00	18.53	2.32