GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:615
ANSWERED ON:28.02.2000
DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORESTATION PROJECTS IN NER
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds granted by the foreign countries/foreign financial institutions for development of afforestation projects in North-Eastern Region, particularly in the State of Manipur;
- (b) whether Government are also providing financial assistance to the North-Eastern Region for the purpose;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of amount remained unutilised during the last three years, year-wise/State-wise; and
- (e) the details of action taken by Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI)

- (a) No externally aided afforestation project has been sanctioned in the North-Eastern Region, including Manipur.
- (b) to (e) Yes Sir, assistance is provided to North-Eastern States for afforestation under various Centrally Sponsored Schemes. Projects sanctioned under these schemes are of 4-5 years and funds unutilised in the previous years are adjusted against releases in subsequent years. The state-wise details of funds released and unutilised during the last three years is given at Annexure I.

Annexure I

Annexure in respect of Parts (b) to (e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question no. 615 due for replyon 28th February, 2000 regarding Development Of Afforestation Projects In NER.

Central assistance sanctioned and released (Rupees in Lakhs) to the North-Eastern States under Centrally Sponsored Schemes from 1996-97 to 1998-99

1. Integrated Afforestation and Eco-Dev. Projects Scheme (100% Centrally Sponsored Scheme)

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Arunachal Pradesh 74.32 0.00 65.21 38.13 14.94 0.00 Assam 34.90 0.00 55.35 55.35 50.00 0.00 Manipur 261.50 0.00 98.30 23.54 283.72 0.00 Meghalaya 16.31 2.52 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 Mizoram 81.50 0.00 77.11 77.11 96.26 0.00 Nagaland 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 Tripura 30.35 0.00 65.00 36.72 58.57 0.00

Total 498.88 2.52 360.97 230.85 503.49 0.00

2. Area Oriented Fuelwood and Fodder Projects Scheme (50:50 sharing Centrally SponsoredScheme between the State Government and the Central Government)

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Arunachal Pradesh 12.23 1.83 6.00 7.83 0.00 2.60 Assam 120.66 0.00 70.00 0.00 83.95 38.23 Manipur 146.82 0.00 100.00 0.00 128.75 1.21 Meghalaya 74.46 58.16 0.00 58.16 0.00 58.16 Mizoram 275.00 0.00 244.12 9.21 211.91 0.00 Nagaland 10.00 2.29 0.00 0.00 4.23 4.23 Tripura 55.19 4.49 94.30 52.44 33.19 51.68
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Total 694.36 66.77 514.42 127.64 462.03 156.11

3. Conservation and Development of Non-Timber Forest Produce including Medicinal PlantsScheme (100% Centrally Sponsored Scheme)

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1996-97 1997-98 1998-99
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Arunachal Pradesh 25.84 1.25 0.00 1.25 5.00 6.25 Assam 15.00 8.70 13.50 22.20 14.00 7.50 Manipur 71.36 0.00 18.00 0.00 47.24 0.00 Meghalaya 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 12.00 0.00 Mizoram 8.50 0.00 17.90 17.90 25.00 7.47 Nagaland 10.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 5.00 5.00 Tripura 8.00 2.25 6.35 0.74 10.15 1.74

Total 138.70 12.20 55.75 42.09 118.39 27.96

4. Association of Schedule Tribes and Rural Poor in Regeneration of Degraded Foreston Usufruct Sharing Basis Scheme (100% Centrally Sponsored Scheme)

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Arunachal Pradesh State not included in Scheme.

Assam State not included in Scheme.

Manipur 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 9.36 0.00

Meghalaya State not included in Scheme.

Mizoram 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 6.55 0.00

Nagaland 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 6.29 0.29

Tripura 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 4.55 0.00

Total 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 26.75 0.29

5. Grant-in-Aid to NGOs Scheme

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Arunachal Pradesh No projects sanctioned
Assam No projects sanctioned
Manipur 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 3.84 0.00
Meghalaya 4.44 0.00 0.00 0.00 1.09 0.00
Mizoram No projects sanctioned
Nagaland 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 15.40 0.00
Tripura No projects sanctioned