

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

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FINANCIAL PACKAGE FOR NAGALAND
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has announced any financial package for Nagaland;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the fund is likely to be provided for the projects covered under the financial package ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND MINISTER OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRI S.B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a), (b) & (c) : Yes Sir. The Prime Minister during his visit to Nagaland on 27-29th October, 2003 had announced an economic package for development of Nagaland. This package includes:

1. The Government of India jointly with the State Government will draw up a plan for creating 25000 employment and self-employment opportunities for the youth in Nagaland. Approximately Rs.250 crore will be provided to implement this plan.
2. Kohima will be connected with the East West Corridor under the National Highway Development Programme (NHDP). Kohima-Dimapur section will be four-laned at an estimated cost of Rs.400 crore.
3. State Government proposals for construction of roads in districts of Tuensang, Mon, Kiphire and Wokha districts will be taken up at a cost of Rs.75 crores.
4. A 23 MW Thermal Power Project will be funded by the Government of India at a cost of around Rs.105 crore.
5. Government of India will provide Rs.35 crore for the development of infrastructure of Nagaland University at Lumami. In addition Rs.10 crore will be provided for the development of Kohima campus.
6. Rs.15 crore will be provided for building a new Sanik School at Kohima.
7. A Regional Institute for Information Technology in Nagaland will set up for Rs.20 crore.
8. Rs.10 crore will be provided for upgrading the higher secondary and high schools for science education and facilities for girls' education.
9. The district hospitals at all district headquarters including Mon and Tuensang, will be upgraded at a cost of Rs.15 crore. In addition, Rs.10 crore will be provided for rural health centers.
10. The Referral hospital at Dimapur has not been operationalised. Requirement of funds will be assessed by a joint team and necessary financial assistance will be provided.
11. Rs.15 crore will be provided for self-help groups and for empowerment of women.
12. Over a period of three years Rs.15 crore will be provided to control jhum and for development of horticulture in the State.
13. A Center for Development of Horticulture, Floriculture and Medicinal Plants will be set up at a cost of Rs.10 crore. Rs. 5 crore will be provided to support the Bamboo Mission set up by the State Government.
14. A Joint Task Force on tourism will prepare an action plan based on public-private partnership. A tourism circuit to link areas in Northern Nagaland particularly Mon district will be developed for which 25 crores will be provided in the next three years.
15. Rs.10 crore will be provided for development of eco-friendly municipal waste treatment plants at Dimapur, Kohima and other towns.

16. Rs.18 crore will be provided for completing the remaining works at Indira Gandhi Stadium in Kohima in a period of two years.
17. The State Government's proposal for revival of Nagaland Paper & Pulp Company at Tuli will be given a fresh consideration involving the concerned ministries.
18. Once the survey for extending the railway line from Dimapur to Kohima is complete a view will be taken on this project.

At present the process for implementation of schemes is being initiated by all concerned.