

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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NABARD FUNDING
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the NABARD has provided funds for various projects in Orissa ;
- (b) if so, the names of those projects and the amount funded, project-wise during the last three years ;
- (c) the criterion for selection of these projects ;
- (d) whether despite increase in funds the loan provided by NABARD is decreasing ;
- (e) if so, the reasons thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken by NABARD to provide more funds to Orissa ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL)

(a) to (c) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) provides loans to State Governments for creation of rural infrastructure under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF). The details of projects and amount sanctioned to State of Orissa during the last three years under RIDF are given in the enclosed statement. Projects under RIDF are prioritized and selected by the State Governments and sanctioned by the Project Sanctioning Committee of NABARD.

(d) and (e) While overall sanctions under various trenches of RIDF are commensurate with the creation of corpus for each RIDF, sanctions to individual state is dependent on the submission of proposals by the State Government.

(f) NABARD has further taken a number of steps for enhanced utilization of RIDF towards creation of rural infrastructure in Orissa. Some of these steps include keeping regular contact with the State Government for submission and faster execution of projects, constitution of High Power Committee to weed out the constraints for larger utilization of RIDF, providing mobilization advance to the State, if required, appointing consultants, holding meetings with officials of the State for expediting utilization of RIDF, etc.

Statement

Details of amount sanctioned to State Government of Orissa for various projects under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund during the years 1999-2000, 2000-01, 2001-2002

(Rs. in lakhs)

Projects	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
Rural Bridges	4695.14	4359.51	7973.97
Rural Roads	896.14	862.39	
Minor Irrigation	4388.14	5384.87	6195.53
Medium Irrigation	2800.88	17.81	293.46
Farms	681.50	980.58	
Total	13461.80	10742.77	15325.35