

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:442  
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WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE QUESTION  
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Government is seeking aid/assistance from the World Bank to finance its various social welfare schemes like education, employment guarantee scheme, etc;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has failed to assess the fund requirements for implementation of these schemes;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to make funds available for implementation of the social welfare scheme?

**Answer**

FINANCE MINISTER (P. CHIDAMBARAM)

(a) to (e): A Statement is placed on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Starred Question No. 442 for 23rd December 2005 regarding World Bank Assistance

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The details of the projects that have been posed to the World Bank for assistance in sectors such as Education, Health, Women & Child Development, and Poverty Alleviation are as under:

S.No. Name of Project Amount (in Rs. Crore) (approx.)

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|---------------------------------------|------|
| 1. Vocational Training                | 450  |
| 2. HIV/AIDS III                       | 900  |
| 3. Tuberculosis Control II            | 765  |
| 4. Reproductive and Child Health II   | 1575 |
| 5. Karnataka Health Systems           | 589  |
| 6. Karnataka Panchayats Strengthening | 675  |
| 7. Orissa Health Systems              | 675  |
| 8. West Bengal Health                 | 337  |

In addition, assistance from the World Bank has been sought for Swashakti II project, which envisages empowerment of women through self-local groups. The amount is yet to be decided for this project.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): Funds are made available for implementation of social welfare schemes as also other purposes taking into account the availability of funds - domestic as well as external, inter-se prioritization and phased fund requirements over the implementation schedule.