GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PLANNING LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:488
ANSWERED ON:09.05.2007
ALLOCATION OF FUNDS DURING THE ELEVENTH FIVE YEAR PLAN Singh Baba Shri K.C.

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Draft Approach Paper of the Eleventh Five Year Plan has been finalised;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the percentage of GDP by which allocation of funds has been enhanced for health and child welfare under the Eleventh Plan vis-Ã vis the Tenth Five Year Plan:
- (d) whether the allocation of funds for the purpose is less in comparison to the allocations being made in the developing countries;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Government proposes to increase the allocation to these sectors as compared to the other developing countries; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) to (g): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 488 REGARDING `ALLOCATION OF FUNDS DURING THE ELEVENTH FIVE YEAR PLAN` BY SHRI K.C. SINGH `BABA`, DUE FOR ANSWER ON 9TH MAY, 2007

- (a) and (b): Yes, Sir. The Approach Paper to the Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-08 to 2011- 12), as approved by the National Development Council, has set the growth target for the Eleventh Five Year Plan period at 9% per year and aims at putting the economy on a sustainable growth trajectory with a growth of approximately 10% by the end of its period. For the rural economy the Approach Paper to the Eleventh Five Year Plan aims at achieving a growth rate of 4% in agriculture sector. For that there is a focus on improving rural connectivity, scaling up of irrigation potential creation, watershed management, rainwater harvesting and ground water recharge, revitalization of the extension system which links universities and best practices to farmers, etc. The Approach Paper mentions about reducing the disparities across regions and communities by ensuring access to basic physical infrastructure as well as health and education services to all. The Approach Paper has also set monitorable targets for other dimensions of performance such as, in the area of income and poverty, education, health, women and children issues, infrastructure and environment, reflecting the inclusiveness of this growth.
- (c): The allocation of funds for Eleventh Plan have not been decided.
- (d) to (g): In view of (c) above, do not arise.