

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ADDITIONAL GROSS BUDGETARY SUPPORT
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to make additional provision of Rs. 10,000 crore in the Budget to fund social sector programmes during the Financial Year 2008-09;
- (b) if so, whether the provision of an additional two-tier GBS, system of the previous Budget would be in force during the current year;
- (c) whether Rs. 7,000 crore was earmarked during the previous financial year under the additional GBS;
- (d) if so, whether the Finance Ministry in consultation with the Planning Commission has agreed to increase this Fund;
- (e) if so, the schemes that are likely to be undertaken to support GBS;
- (f) whether the amount earmarked during the previous financial year has been fully utilized; and
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) to (g): Budget for 2008-09 proposes to mobilize additional resources to the tune of Rs. 10,000 crore to be used for Plan capital expenditure. This money – under Plan 'B' – will be available to Ministries/ Departments of the Central Government and to State Governments that achieve the physical and quality targets set under different Plan schemes.

Budget for 2007-08 had made a provision of Rs. 7,000 crore under Plan 'B'. However, Rs. 13,917.06 crore was made available through three supplementaries for amongst others Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana, National Food Security Mission, EAP to States, Assistance to DMRC, Weather Based Insurance Scheme, Post-Matric Scholarship, Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana, Commonwealth Games and EAP for AIDS control.