

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:133
ANSWERED ON:25.02.2009
BALANCED GROWTH RATE
Hussain Shri Anwar

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the actual growth rate vis-a-vis the projected growth rate during the last three years, State-wise; and
- (b) the efforts made by the Government to improve the growth rate across the country in a balanced manner?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) and (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.133 REGARDING BALANCED GROWTH RATE BY SHRI ANWAR HUSSAIN, DUE FOR ANSWER ON 25/02/2009.

(a): As per the Central Statistical Organisation, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Government of India, the actual growth rate measured by GDP (gross domestic product) at factor cost (constant 1999-2000 prices) available for the past three years are 9.5% in 2005-06, 9.7% in 2006-07 and 9% in 2007-08. The actual State-wise growth rates available for the three years 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 are given in the Annexure. The Planning Commission projects growth rate for the five year plans and not on annual basis. The growth target projected for the tenth five year plan, covering the period 2002-03 to 2006-07 was 7.9% per year. The growth target projected for the eleventh five year plan, covering the period 2007-08 to 2011-12 is 9% per year.

(b): The Government has been taking several measures to improve the growth rate across the country in a balanced manner. The policy instruments in this regard include plan and non-plan transfer of resources from the Centre to the States favouring less developed States, establishment of public sector units, tax incentives for setting up of private industries in the backward regions, etc. A number of programmes have been initiated to reduce income disparity between States. These include, Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF), Hill Area Development Programme/Western Ghats Development Programme, Border Area Development Programme, etc.