

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SERICULTURE
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has granted financial assistance to sericulture farmers in the country;
- (b) if so, State-wise and year-wise details for the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any study about the social and financial condition of sericulture farmers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SMT. PANABAAGA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Government through Central Silk Board (CSB) has been implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme viz "Catalytic Development Programme (CDP)" under which financial assistance is provided to the sericulture farmers in the country through the respective State Governments. State-wise and year-wise financial assistance provided during the last three years (2007-08, 2008-09 & 2009-10) is given below:

(Rs. in lakhs)

Si. No. States Funds released/spent during the years

	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	#
1 Karnataka	1,015.22	1,876.63	2,306.76	
2 Tamilnadu	745.20	954.48	911.88	
3 Jammu & Kashmir	181.85	316.07	1,089.25	
4 Andhra Pradesh	979.88	1,554.84	1,073.16	
5 West Bengal	102.04	273.32	869.55	
6 Maharashtra	95.21	200.11	295.82	
7 Madhya Pradesh	173.85	518.96	430.25	
8 Orissa	63.70	75.18	566.64	

9	Bihar	-	43.90	171.35	
10	Uttar pradesh	321.01	413.98	611.70	
11	Kerala	87.33	147.30	87.40	
12	Punjab	-	26.63	9.00	
13	Himachal Pradesh	53.93	165.63	158.94	
14	Gujarat	-	32.57	-	
15	Chattisgarh	344.07	378.22	467.40	
16	Jharkhand	43.60	255.70	1,066.22	
17	Uttaranchal	143.02	208.72	423.39	
18	Sikkim	50.04	32.29	69.09	
19	Assam	1,891.52	590.46	1,617.13	
20	Arunachal Pradesh	220.40	113.83	287.13	
21	Manipur	594.59	89.97	324.78	
22	Meghalaya	74.81	267.14	302.37	
23	Mizoram	249.10	230.29	349.46	
24	Nagaland	217.11	163.32	540.54	
25	Tripura	434.13	144.62	377.04	
Total		8,081.61	9,074.16	14,406.25	

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(c) & (d): A study was entrusted to M/s. TERI (The Energy and Resources Institute) to assess the performance of various schemes/components implemented under the CDP during X Five Year Plan. As per their Report, the CDP schemes implemented by CSB have made a positive impact not only in terms of increased quantity of cocoons but also showed an improvement in the quality of the cocoons, both under mulberry and non-mulberry sectors. The report also indicated the improvement in the financial and social conditions of the sericulture farmers, reelers etc. In view of its positive impact, CDP has been continued in XI Five Year Plan.