

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

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IMPROVEMENT IN SERVICE DELIVERY SYSTEM OF CENTRAL PROJECTS

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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) The details of support extended to the Government of India for improvement of service delivery in the various Government schemes by the World Bank;
- (b) whether the World Bank has expressed the view that attempts at fighting corruption in the Government's welfare schemes often got interpreted as acts of interfering;
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereon; and
- (d) the measures taken by the Government of India to maximize the benefits derived therefrom?

**Answer**

Minister of State for Finance(SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

- (a) In the last financial year (April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010), the World Bank has extended 14 loans to the Government schemes/projects with total assistance of US \$ 4901.8 million.
- (b) The World Bank has informed that such a view has not been expressed.
- (c) In view of (b) above, does not arise.
- (d) For efficient execution of World Bank assisted projects in order to improve service delivery of various Government schemes, a number of measures have been undertaken. A project readiness checklist for streamlining the preparation of multilateral assisted projects has been prepared. The review mechanism of the World Bank assisted projects have been strengthened by introducing bi-annual joint portfolio review meeting, quarterly review of problem projects and periodic state level review meetings.