GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PLANNING LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any uniformity in the State-wise allocated and released funds under various centrally sponsored schemes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether utilisation certificates in respect of the funds released for implementation of the said schemes are received regularly from the State Governments; and
- (d) if not, the names of the defaulter States in this regard during the last two years alongwith the action taken against them?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Allocations for Plan Schemes are made by the Planning Commission to Union Ministries which include both Central Schemes and Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS). The criteria for allocation of funds under CSS to individual States are finalized by the administrative Ministry/Department concerned in consultation with the State Governments and Planning Commission. While finalising the said criteria State-specific needs are also factored into.

The releases under the CSS to State Governments are made by the administrative Ministries/Department concerned on the basis of allocations and timely submission of utilisation certificates. This is to ensure that transfer of funds lead to actual expenditure. Hence State-wise release under CSS depends on State-wise allocation as well as the submission of utilisation certificates.

The role of Planning Commission is confined mainly to the formulation of guidelines, allocation of funds and broad review of Centrally Sponsored Schemes. The administrative Ministries/Department concerned deal with release of funds and other attendant functions thereto including monitoring the progress of CSS and keeping track of utilisation certificates submitted by the States.