

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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WB AND ADB ASSISTANCE FOR POVERTY ALLEVIATION PROGRAMMES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the financial assistance received by India from the World Bank and Asian Development Bank for the implementation of Rural Development and poverty alleviation programme especially in backward and rural areas during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the details of fund utilised and remain to be utilized as on date, State -wise, year- wise; and
- (c) the time by which the balance fund would be utilised?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN 'ADITYA')

(a): As informed by Department of Economic Affairs, the following financial assistance has been received during the last three years (2006-07 to 2008-09) for the three projects under World Bank Assistance for Poverty Alleviation Programme:

S.No.	Name of the Project	Loan amount	Signing date
1.	Bihar Rural Livelihood Project	US\$ 63 million	09.08.2007
2.	Additional Financing for Andhra Pradesh Rural Poverty Reduction Project	US\$ 65 million	25.01.2008
3.	Orissa Rural Livelihoods Project	US\$ 82.4 million	27.01.2009

No assistance has been received from Asian Development Bank specifically for the Poverty Alleviation Programme. However, assistance received from ADB is aimed at reducing poverty through infrastructure led growth. The States covered under the said assistance are Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttarakhand and West Bengal.

(b): The cumulative disbursements for the 3 World Bank assisted projects mentioned at

(a) above are US\$ 4.46 million, US\$ 39.46 million and US\$ 3.11 million respectively till June 30, 2009.

(c): The completion dates of the above World Bank assisted projects are 31.10.2012, 30.9.2009 and 31.12.2013 respectively. The entire loan amount is not disbursed in one installment. Depending on the nature of project and its implementation schedule, the disbursement takes place over the project implementation period.