

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DELAY IN EXECUTION OF PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether delay in executing projects of various Ministries undertaken during the last three years and the current year, till date, has cost the Government more than Rs.55,000 crore due to cost escalation; and

(b) if so, the details of the projects which were delayed, the original cost of each project and the latest estimated cost for the completion in each project, Ministry/Department-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), MINISTRY OF COAL AND STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a)&(b) As on March, 31st 2008, out of 515 major central sector projects costing Rs.100 crore and above on the monitor of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, 235 delayed projects reported cost overrun of Rs.21,988.6 crore which is 13.89% of their approved original costs, where as on March, 2010 out of 631 projects, 333 delayed projects reported cost overrun of Rs.51,617.92 crore which is 15.9% of their original approved costs. The cost overruns are due to escalation and other factors including delay in projects for various reasons, change in scope and increase in quantities. Year-wise details of number of projects delayed between March, 2008 to March, 2010 their original and anticipated completion costs, sector-wise, are given in the Statement in Annexure-I