

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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FUNDS FOR ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE IN BORDER AREAS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the funds allocated for development of road infrastructure along the border areas have been surrendered during the last three years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons for non-utilisation of the funds, Year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): Year wise details of total funds allocated to BRO for development of road infrastructure along the border areas, expenditure and reasons for non-utilisation of fund are given below:

Year	Funds allocated (Rs. in Crore)	Funds spent (Rs. in Crore)	Funds Unspent (Rs. in Crore)
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2007-2008	2517.188	2335.81	181.37
2008-2009	3175.803	2974.792	201.01
2009-2010	4044.02	3829.14	214.88

The surrender of funds was due to delay in finalization of forest clearance and Land acquisition cases, non availability of air effort, Naxal problems in Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh, inclement weather conditions, restricted working period for roads in High Altitude Area (HAA) and insurgency problem in Jammu & Kashmir (J&K).