## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:184 ANSWERED ON:23.11.2010 FINANCIAL ASS ISSTANCE TO ADCs Bwiswmuthiary Shri Sansuma Khunggur

## Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government receives prioritised projects for retention under the Non Lapsable Central Pool of Resources scheme from the State Governments in the North Eastern Region (NER) including for the Autonomous District Councils (ADCs);
- (b) if so, the details and current status thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State -wise and ADC wise;
- (c) whether the Union government has received any proposal from various State Governments including Assam for providing direct Central funding to such Autonomous Councils including the Bodoland Territorial Council;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of Government thereto; and
- (e) the details of the schemes being funded by the Government in the NER including Bodoland Territorial Areas District?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI BIJOY KRISHNA HANDIQUE)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House. STATEMENT IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 184 RAISED BY SHRI SANSUMA KHUNGGUR BWISWMUTHIARY, M.P. FOR 23RD NOVEMBER, 2010, REGARDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ADCs.

Ministry of Development of North-Eastern Region receives every year prioritised projects for retention under Non-Lapsable Pool of Resources Scheme from the State Governments in the North Eastern Region (NER) which also includes projects in the Autonomous District Council (ADC) areas. The details of projects received and retained during each of the last three years and current year is annexed as Annexure.

As per information made available by Ministry of Home Affairs, the Chief Minister of Mizoram has forwarded the proposal from Autonomous District council (ADCs) in Mizoram for direct funding.

All Ministries / Departments of Government of India (except a few specifically exempted ones) are earmarking at least 10% of their annual budget, less allocation for externally aided schemes and local or event specific schemes / projects for expenditure in the North Eastern Region.

Besides, the projects in the NER including Bodoland Territorial District Areas are funded by Ministry of DoNER under NLCPR Scheme. The projects are also funded in the NER by North East Council (NEC).

There is an additional provision of Finance Minister's Rs. 500.00 crore Package for Social and Infrastructure Development of North East Region.

For BTC Areas, there is a separate provision of 'Special BTC Package' of Rs. 750.00 crore (Rs. 500.00 crore as 'Special BTC Package' and Rs. 250.00 crore as Additional BTC Package).