

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT  
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**Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the contributions of a select few States in the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of the country accounts for almost half of the total GDP;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has reviewed the working policy in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has taken any step to promote industries in those States whose share in the country's GDP are miniscule in comparison to their sizes and resources; and
- (f) the success achieved through implementation of such steps?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (DR. M. S. Gill)

(a) & (b): The six states namely Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu and Gujarat account for more than half of the country's total GDP. Besides other factors, the contribution of a state's GDP to total GDP of the country depends on the geographical area and workforce in a state.

(c) to (f): The Government has been taking several measures to increase the GDP of States in a balanced manner. The policy instruments in this regard include plan and non-plan transfer of resources from the Centre to States favouring less developed States. Besides, giving tax incentives for setting up of private industries in the backward regions, there are special schemes for the promotion of industries in less developed states. Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP), Ministry of Commerce & Industry has introduced North East Industrial and Investment Promotion Policy (NEIIPP), 2007 on 1.4.2007 for accelerating industrial development in the entire North Eastern Region (NER). Further, Transport Subsidy Scheme (TSS), 1971 has been in operation to promote industrialization in the remote, hilly and inaccessible areas by providing for subsidy ranging between 50% and 90% of the transportation cost incurred by the industrial units. This scheme is applicable to all the eight North Eastern States, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, hilly districts of Uttarakhand, Darjeeling District of West Bengal and UTs of Andaman & Nicobar Administration and Lakshadweep Administration. These schemes have contributed to the industrial development of the beneficiary States.