

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PLANNING  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2259  
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KBK SPECIAL PLAN  
Satpathy Shri Tathagata

**Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the State Government of Orissa has requested the Union Government to hike the Kalahandi-Balangir-Koraput(KBK) special assistance being given to the State at present;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES(DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The State Government of Orissa submitted the draft Eight-Year Special Plan for the KBK districts for Special Central Assistance of Rs.4550 crore for the period 2009-17.

(c): The Government of India has recently approved an Integrated Action Plan (IAP) for Selected 60 Tribal and Backward Districts with a block grant of Rs. 25 crore for 2010-11 and Rs. 30 crore for 2011-12. All the eight KBK districts are covered in the list of 60 districts covered under IAP, and Rs. 200 crore (Rs. 25 crore for each of the eight KBK districts) have already been released for the current financial year 2010-11. The allocation for eight KBK Districts in 2011-12 is Rs. 240 crore (Rs. 30 crore for each of the eight KBK districts). The KBK districts are, therefore, allocated funds from three different sources viz. Special Plan for KBK Districts (Rs. 130 crore), District Component of BRGF (Rs. 120 crore) and IAP (Rs. 200 crore and Rs. 240 crore during 2010-11 and 2011-12 respectively). In view of this development, the matter relating to the Eight Year Perspective Special Plan for the KBK Districts for the period 2009-2017 submitted by the State Government was considered in the Planning Commission and it has been decided that there is no need for further enhancing the allocation to the KBK districts during the Eleventh Five Year Plan period.