

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

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UTILISATION OF SPECIAL COMPONENT PLAN
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some States have not utilized the special component plan funds allocation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof: and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure that the special component plan funds are not diverted for other purposes?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : Out of 27 States/UTs, 24 States/UTs have spent allocated funds under SCSP. However, 2 States viz., Jammu & Kashmir, Sikkim and 1 UT i.e. Chandigarh have not reported utilization of the allocated funds during 2009-10 under SCSP. A statement showing State-wise funds allocated and spent by States under SCSP during 2007-08 to 2009-10 is enclosed.

(c): In order to ensure proactive compliance towards allocation and utilization of funds under SCSP as per the percentage of SC population in the States and non- diversion of funds, the Planning Commission has set up a Task Force under the Chairmanship of Dr. Narendra Jadhav, Member to review the operational difficulties in implementing SCSP and TSP and suggesting necessary remedial measures through re-examining the existing guidelines and revising the same appropriately for their effective and meaningful implementation in the future. With this initiative, the implementation of SCSP is expected to be fine-tuned.