

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA**

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TARGETS UNDER BRGF
Rani Killi Krupa

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has fixed any targets under the Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the targets fixed and achieved under the programme during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether the local panchayats and municipalities have been assigned responsibilities to execute the development works under the programme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI V. KISHORE CHANDRA DEO)

- (a) & (b): No Sir, Government has not fixed any targets under the Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) programme. However, the untied Development grants under the BRGF Programme are released to the State Governments for utilization by the Panchayats, the Municipalities and other local bodies for bridging critical gaps in local infrastructure and meeting other local developmental requirements, based on the demands raised in the Gram/ Area Sabhas. The State-wise details of the funds released by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj to the States and the Utilization Certificates or Expenditure Reports submitted by the implementation authorities under Development Grant component of BRGF during 2007-08 to 2011-12 (as on 31-07-2011) are at Annex.
- (c) & (d): The Panchayats and the Municipalities are responsible for implementation of scheme under BRGF Programme.