GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PLANNING LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the mega development packages announced by the Government have been released including packages for Assam;
- (b) if so, the percent of packages that have been implemented/yet to be implemented;
- (c) the field in which these packages have been implemented; and
- (d) the details of progress made in this regard?

Answer

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

(a)to (d): Policy initiatives announced by the Government from time to time for development of various sectors are implemented through development programmes/schemes or packages and are integral part of Plans of Central Government or State Government. Size and area of operation of Programmes/Schemes/packages depend on the target to be achieved by such programmes and likely availability of resources.

Assam is integral part of all mega flagship development programmes, such as, NRHM, MGNREGA, SSA, MDM, JNNURM, RKVY, IAY, ICDS, etc. covering all major sectors and implementation is monitored by respective Ministries.

One of the major region-specific initiatives taken by the Government in the recent past in field of agriculture is "Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India", which include states of Assam, West Bengal, Bihar, Orissa, Jharkhand Chhattisgarh and Eastern Uttar Pradesh, having huge potential of increasing productivity of the region with rice based cropping system.

In the field of infrastructure the major programmes are Special Accelerated Road Development Programme for NE (SARDP-NE), Railway Gauge Conversion and Line expansion programme, Upgradation of important Airports etc. and Assam has the larger share in these programmes.

The above mentioned programmes are at different stages of implementation and are being constantly monitored by the concerned ministries.