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QUALITATIVE EVALUATION OF CENTRAL SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government Ministries/ Departments are unable to control the execution of the schemes and there is no quantitative or qualitative evaluation of delivery;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether in some cases, large parts of funds were released in the last months of the financial year, and hence it could not be spent by the respective State Governments during that year;
- (d) if so, the steps Government is taking in this regard; and
- (e) the nature of difficulties faced by the Government for effective control on proper execution of various schemes?

Answer

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

(a): Control and monitoring of the execution of the schemes/programmes is carried out by the implementing Ministries/Departments, which have well established procedures for the same. For some selected schemes/programmes, the evaluation and impact assessment is done by the Programme Evaluation Organisation (PEO) of the Planning Commission on behest of the implementing Ministries/ Departments.

(b): During the last two years i.e. 2009-11, the Programme Evaluation Organisation of Planning Commission has conducted, on sampling basis, process and impact evaluation of the following schemes:

- i. Rural Telephony
- ii. Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan(SSA)
- iii. Rural Roads Component of Bharat Nirman
- iv. Cooked Mid-Day Meal (CMDM)
- v. Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP)
- vi. National Rural Health Mission (NRHM)
- vii. Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS)

The evaluation reports of the above schemes, based on sample survey, have been placed in the public domain i.e Planning Commission's website (<http://planningcommission.nic.in>).

(c): No such case of release of funds in the last months of the financial year has been found.

(d): In view of (c) above, the Question does not arise.

(e): Monitoring and independent evaluation of the schemes/programmes is usually done by the implementing Ministries. In the evaluation reports of the few studies undertaken by Programme Evaluation Organisation, based on the sample ground level data, findings on the bottlenecks of the existing programmes/schemes are spelt out and remedial actions for their improvement are suggested.