GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PLANNING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3410 ANSWERED ON:29.07.2009 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SOCIAL SECTOR SCHEMES Ponnam Shri Prabhakar

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes in social sector for which financial assistance has been given to States by the Union Government;

(b) the funds allocated and spent for each scheme, State-wise;

(c) the criteria adopted to sanction financial assistance to each State in this regard;

(d) the proposals of State Government of Andhra Pradesh pending for the last three years; and

(e) the time by which clearances are likely to be given to the proposed schemes particularly for the benefit of SC/ST/OBC?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) to (b): A statement indicating the details regarding BE and actuals for 2007-08 & 2008-09;and 2009-10 (BE) in respect of major social sector Schemes / programmes (Eight Flagship Schemes) is enclosed (Annexure-I). While, releases to States under JNNURM are made by the Ministry of Finance, releases for the other Flagship Schemes (CSS) are made by the administrative Union Ministries /Departments, responsible for implementing these Schemes. However, State-wise details of funds disbursed / utilized for these schemes are available with the administrative Ministries concerned; the time series data is not being maintained at a central place by any single agency.

(c): The criteria for allocation of funds under CSS to individual States is finalized by the administrative Ministries concerned in consultation with the State Governments and Planning Commission.

(d) to (e): The State Government of Andhra Pradesh has written to Prime Minister for providing financial support to the Aarogyasri Health insurance Scheme and extending it to other States as CSS. As per the existing policy, there is no possibility of independently funding State initiated Schemes by the Government of India.