GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PLANNING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4399 ANSWERED ON:21.12.2011 SOCIAL SECTOR SCHEMES Pakkirappa Shri S.

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the total amount allocated for social sector schemes and services during the last three years and the current year, scheme wise;
- (b) whether there is a slow-down in the spending of the social services/schemes;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to expedite the spending for social sectors to achieve the targets set for the current Five Year Plan?

Answer

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

- (a): The social sector schemes are implemented by different Ministries through various schemes including central sector schemes, centrally sponsored schemes and additional central assistance schemes. The total amount allocated under these schemes is reflected in the respective implementing Ministry's demand for grants as well as outcome budget. The Plan Allocation for and Expenditure by the Ministries dealing with social sector during the last three years and the Plan outlay for the current year is annexed.
- (b): The total Plan spending of the Ministries dealing with social sector schemes has increased from Rs. 143141.21 crore in 2008-09 to Rs. 147938.33 crore in 2009-10 to Rs. 190637.75 crore (RE) in 2010-11. The allocation to the Ministries in the social sector has been increased to Rs. 206431.48 crore in 2011-12 (BE).
- (c): In view of (b) above, does not arise
- (d): The Mid-Term Appraisal (MTA) of the Plan provides an assessment of progress made, together with suggestions about the corrective steps needed in the major programmes. The MTA of the Eleventh Five Year Plan is available on the website of the Planning Commission (http://planningcommission.nic.). The implementing Ministries / Departments were requested to take these suggestions into consideration. The flagship Programmes and Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) are being implemented by the State/UT Governments and their agencies. The administrative Ministries/Departments concerned are keeping track of performance of the schemes implemented by the States on a continuous basis.