

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF INDUSTRIES

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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any initiative for industrialisation in tribal/ backward areas to accelerate comprehensive industrial development and to generate employment in extreme backward areas where Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes people live;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with any survey/study conducted by the Government to identify the industrially backward regions/States for their development;
- (c) the State-wise details of industries set up during the last three years in the country particularly where special industrial package/incentive was given;
- (d) the details of financial assistance provided to the special category or newly constituted States and the number of persons got employment in these States, State-wise;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to extend the industrial package further to promote the industrial development and create employment in the country;
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the proposal, if any, under consideration with the Government to include more States like Karnataka; and
- (g) the details of Centrally Sponsored Schemes to promote industrialisation in rural and backward regions of the country, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a)&(b): Planning Commission set up an Inter-Ministerial Task Group for Redressal of Growing Regional Imbalances in August 2004. The Task Group identified 170 districts on 17 chosen parameters for backwardness including preponderance of agricultural labourers in the population, per capita credit-deposits, infrastructure and institutional facilities and percentage of Scheduled caste and Scheduled Tribe as overall proxy for regional backwardness. The Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) was launched in August 2006. The programme covering 272 districts continued during the 11th Five Year Plan. As exercise is being undertaken to restructure BRGF including identification of backward areas for the 12th Five Year Plan. No study has been conducted to identify industrially backward region of the States for their development.

(c): State-wise details of industries set up as reflected in Industrial Investment Intentions in terms of IEMs filed, Letters of Intent Issued and Direct Industrial Licence granted during the last three years in the country is at Annexure 1(A&B).

(d)&(g): Details of financial Assistance provided under Central Capital Investment Subsidy scheme, Central Interest Subsidy Scheme and Central Comprehensive Insurance Scheme to the Special Category States of Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand are in Annexure 2. From 2002-03 to 2011-12, employment generated was 68,393 in Jammu & Kashmir, 1,05,452 in Himachal Pradesh and 3,18,890 in Uttarakhand. Requests from other states have been received for similar packages, but it has been the consistent stand of the Government not to announce any fresh package in view of the fact that the above mentioned special category States have adverse geographical locations due to hilly and remote terrain and other specifications. There is no proposal to extend any such incentives to other States.