GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PANCHAYATI RAJ LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4586 ANSWERED ON:07.09.2012 TWELFTH PLAN FOR BRGF Panda Shri Baijayant

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the allocation under Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) Programme has been decided for the Twelfth Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which it is to be distributed, State-wise;
- (c) whether since the inception of scheme, it is yet to release the balance of Rs.232 crore to the State of Odisha; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the time by which the funds are likely to be released?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI V. KISHORE CHANDRA DEO)

- (a): No, Madam. Since the Twelfth Five Year Plan has not been finalized, the allocation under BRGF has not been decided.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c) & (d): From 2007-08 to 2011-12 a sum of Rs.192.36 crore could not be released to Govt. of Odisha due to non-submission of eligible proposals. Funds under the BRGF are lapsable and cannot be released subsequently in case a State fails to claim its entitlement in a given year.