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DEVELOPMENT MODEL
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether India needs to prepare its development model on the basis of its capacity, resources and requirement in order to develop itself; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Different countries have adopted different development models contextual to their level of socio-economic and political status with a view to address their priorities of development. In the Indian context, the economic development has evolved through a process of development planning with the formulation of Five Year Plans, which takes into account the resources available and capacity to mobilize resources. The Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-12) has taken cognizance of the need for faster growth along with multi-dimensional aspect of development and has adopted inclusive growth as the main objective of development planning. The plan captured development requirements in 27 monitorable targets classified under six major categories at the national level such as: (a) Income and Poverty (b) Education (c) Health (d) Women and Children (e) Infrastructure (f) Environment, based on the assessed needs of the people. The objective of achieving higher economic growth on a sustainable basis remains central to our development model since existence of a strong economic base is critical for attainment of all other objectives of inclusive growth. The Government launched a number of Plan-Schemes in the form of Central Sector/ Centrally Sponsored Schemes and Flagship programmes to achieve the objective of inclusiveness. The Approach Paper to the Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-17) which has been approved by National Development Council (NDC) emphasizes the need to build upon the achievements of Eleventh Five Year Plan and strive for faster, sustainable and more inclusive growth.