

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN NER
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Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently reviewed the development projects being implemented under various schemes in the North Eastern Region (NER);
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the shortcomings/irregularities identified in the implementation of these development projects;
- (c) the corrective measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for effective implementation of the projects;
- (d) whether there is any proposal to sanction new projects for the development of NER and for generation of employment in the region; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (Independent Charge) IN THE MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWER)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 341 for answer on 04/09/2012.

(a) to (e) Review of performance of projects funded under schemes being implemented by Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region is a continuous process. Review is conducted through various periodical reports and utilization certificates, quarterly progress reports, field inspections, etc. Performance is also reviewed during meetings with State Government officers. It is observed after the review that generally projects get delayed due to many reasons like short working season, difficult terrain, delay in release of funds by State Governments etc. State Governments are also requested to monitor schemes regularly to ensure funds are utilised properly and expeditiously.

Further, sanction of new projects is an ongoing process. Implementation of sanctioned projects by States and other agencies will provide socio-economic benefits to the community and inter alia generate employment opportunities. Developmental projects under Non Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) scheme and various schemes of North Eastern Council (NEC) to North Eastern States lead to direct or indirect job creation, which is not always quantifiable/ measurable. In order to support implementation of development projects under Non Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) scheme and North Eastern Council, an amount of Rs 18,572.38 crore has been projected to Planning Commission for 12th Five Year Plan.