

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS FOR MODERNISATION OF BORDER DISTRICTS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total funds allocated by the Government for modernisation of border districts in the North Eastern States during the last three years;
- (b) the details of funds utilised and non-completed works so far;
- (c) the reasons for non-completion of works; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (d): There is no such scheme of modernization of border districts in the North Eastern States is being implemented by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

However, Government of India has been implementing through the State Governments a Border Area Development Program (BADP), as a part of comprehensive approach to border management, to meet the special developmental needs of the people living in remote and inaccessible areas situated near the international land border and to saturate border areas with the entire essential infrastructure through convergence of Centre/State/BADP/Local schemes and participatory approach. The developmental activities under BADP relate to social infrastructure, link roads, employment generation, education, health, agriculture and allied sectors. The funds are provided to States as a 100% non-lapsable Central grant for supplementing the State efforts while Government of India lays down the broad guidelines, the primary responsibility of finalization of schemes/projects and their execution lies with the State Governments. The Programme is implemented in 360 identified Border blocks of 96 districts of 17 states (which includes 143 identified Border blocks of 44 districts of 8 North Easter states) which constitutes international land border with neighbouring countries.

Developmental activities taken up under the BADP is a continuous process. A Statement sharing the amounts allocated utilized on the works under various sectors in border blocks in North Eastern States during the last three years is annexed.