

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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INDIA STATISTICAL STRENGTHENING PROJECT
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the key features of the India Statistical Strengthening Project (ISSP) and the expected outcomes under the said project;
- (b) the status of the project in the States where it has been implemented including the funds allocated for the purpose, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) the achievements made under the said project since its implementation?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a), (b) & (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in parts (a), (b) and (c) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 398 answer for 20-12-2012

(a): Key Features Of The India Statistical Strengthening Project and the Expected Outcomes under the project

ISSP was formulated as a sequel to the recommendations (especially, the State-Centric ones) made by the National Statistical Commission (NSC) headed by Dr. C. Rangarajan, constituted for effecting necessary improvements in the Indian Statistical System. ISSP has been initiated in the 11th Plan period as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, with an approved outlay of Rs.650.43 Crores, of which 80% was funded through a World Bank Loan and the remaining 20% borne by the Government of India. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved the project viz. ISSP on March 19, 2010. The project aims to cover certain key areas of support to the States/UTs, for example, the following:

- (i) Improving Management and Coordination of Statistical Activities
- (ii) Developing Statistical Skills and Capacity (Human Resource Development)
- (iii) Developing Statistical Infrastructure and Physical Infrastructure, Including Civil Works and Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Facilities
- (iv) Conducting Surveys and Studies, and
- (v) Improving Statistical Operations (Data Collection, Processing, Management and Dissemination), particularly for the Identified 20 key statistical activities such as for example, Estimation of State Domestic Product, Estimation of Capital formation and Savings, Estimation of District Domestic Product, Participation in the conduct of Annual Survey of Industries, Compilation of Consumer Price Index numbers and Compilation of Index of Industrial Production.

The major expected outcomes from the ISSP are:

- i. Compilation of District Level estimates of 20 selected/identified Key Statistical Indicators.
- ii. Credible, timely and reliable national and state level data on key statistical activities.
- iii. Manuals on key statistical activities.
- iv. The statistical personnel working in the various State/UT level statistical systems would be better equipped, in terms of Statistical skills and capacity.
- v. Improved coordination of statistical activities at the State/UT levels.

(b) & (c): The status of the project, including the funds allocated and the achievements made.

As on December 17, 2012 (Monday), 13 States/UT, namely, Karnataka, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Tamil Nadu,

Kerala, Mizoram, Sikkim, Lakshadweep, Odisha, West Bengal and Jharkhand have formulated and got approved their individual State Strategic Statistical Plans (SSSPs) by the concerned State/UT Governments. Thereafter, the so approved SSSPs of these States/UTs, along with the associated State/UT-specific MoUs under the Project were duly examined and approved by the High Level Steering Committee on the ISSP of the Government of India.

A brief overview (as on December 17, 2012) of the States/UTs which are already implementing the Project based on the MoU signed with MOS&PI is given in the Table below:

State/ UT	Project Cost (Rs. Lakhs)	Funds released by MOS&PI /due as first instalment as per MoU	Remarks
1. Karnataka	4682.27	3284.68	1193.61 Implementation under progress. 2nd instalment of Rs. 899.15 lakhs also released.
2. Rajasthan	6294.00	6097.00	924.60
3. Gujarat	5432.80	5301.55	1154.64 MoU signed and first
4. Andhra Pradesh	6391.00	6038.00	1829.70 instalments released
5. Bihar	9357.15	9220.00	1754.25 during 2011-12.
6. Tamil Nadu	4076.00	3934.00	1154.40 Implementation under
7. Mizoram	2557.50	2459.50	565.50 progress.
8. Sikkim	4072.40	4036.30	479.52
9. Lakshadweep	800.20	639.90	37.50
10. Kerala	5271.83	4937.18	937.12

11.Odisha 6553.86 5866.88 1112.064

12.West Bengal 4964.00 4874.00 525.00

13.Jharkhand 6029.84 4908.34 519.26 MoU signed during
August 2012 and thereafter,
the first instalment of
funds released during
2012-13; Implementation is
at early/preliminary stages