

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA**

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PROJECTS UNDER BRGF PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government sanctions projects of States/UTs under the Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) Programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of such projects received, sanctioned and pending with the Government during the last three years and the current year?

Answer

MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo)

(a) & (b): Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) Programme is being implemented in 272 identified backward districts of the country. As per the BRGF Guidelines, the Annual Action Plans prepared by the Panchayats and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) are consolidated into the District Plans by the District Planning Committees. The Ministry of Panchayati Raj releases funds for the district to the States on the basis of such District Plans duly forwarded by the concerned State Governments. As reported by the States, these funds are utilised for developmental works like construction of Anganwadi centres, Panchayat Ghars, roads, culverts, bridges, community halls, water supply etc.

(c): A statement showing State-wise funds released and utilised under the BRGF Programme during the last three years and current year is at Annex.