

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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EXTERNALLY AIDED PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) The details of ongoing externally aided projects in the country indicating their starting date, funds received, progress achieved, cost and time overruns, insolved therein State-wise
- (b) Whether various State Governments have requested the Union Government to increase their share in approval of externally aided projects;
- (c) If so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) Whether there is any comprehensive integrated standard package and norms around which the entire business with the international financial institutes resolve;
- (e) If so, the details thereof;
- (f) If not, whether the Government propose to pay more attention so that externally aided projects may not be delayed; and
- (g) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

- (a) State-wise the details of ongoing externally aided projects are annexed as Statement I.
- (b) & (c) There is no fixed share of any State in allocating World Bank or Asian Development Bank assisted projects.
- (d) & (e) The 'Guidelines for posing, implementation and monitoring of externally aided projects' is the comprehensive standard for posing, implementation and monitoring of Externally Aided Projects, a copy of which is enclosed as Annex-II. The overall strategy of the World Bank assistance is guided by the Country Assistance Strategy (CAS) mutually agreed between the Government of India and the World Bank. The current CAS is valid from July 2008 to June 2012. Similarly, the Asian Development Bank, in consultation with the Government of India, prepared a Country Partnership Strategy (CPS) for three years on a rolling basis every year.
- (f) & (g) Joint evaluation by Department of Economic Affairs (DEA) and the external donor agencies is carried out to monitor the performance and progress of implementation of externally aided projects (EAPs) in India. Apart from the joint evaluation, DEA also convene periodical review meeting to monitor the performance of EAPs. DEA officers visit projects sites also to review the physical progress of the projects. Based on the outcome of reports of review missions, DEA, in consultations with line/parent Ministries take informed decision with respect to implementation, continuation and extension of EAPs.