GOVERNMENT OF INDIA URBAN DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2511 ANSWERED ON:04.12.2009 SPECIAL FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT FOR NCR Bhadana Shri Avtar Singh

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Haryana had requested the Union Government for making special financial arrangements for the National Capital Region;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

- (a) &(b): The Government of Haryana has requested the Union Government to make budgetary arrangements for financing infrastructure projects within NCR Region through a Special Component Plan(SCP). It has also been requested that the financing pattern should be changed from only loans to that of part subsidy and part soft loan.
- (c): National Capital Region Planning Board(NCRPB) is providing soft loan assistance to the constituent State/UT Governments and their implementing agencies for infrastructure development projects relating to water supply, sewerage and sanitation, roads widening/improvement, road over bridges/road under bridges, tower transmission and distribution and land development etc. To enable NCRPB to provide better financing to the Constituent State/UT Governments, including Haryana, the budgetary resources of NCRPB need to be augmented. With this objective in view, various steps have been initiated which include request for enhanced budgetary allocation, loan from multi-lateral/ bilateral agencies, allocation of tax free bonds etc. Moreover, the Regional Plan-2021 provides for a SCP for the National Capital Region to be allocated by the Planning Commission as a Sub-component of the plan in respect of certain central infrastructure Ministries, such as, Road Transports & Highway, Railways, Power etc. as well as the participating States of NCR. The SCP is envisaged as a mechanism to integrate development activities undertaken by various agencies.