GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PLANNING LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether most of the States have shown continuous growth during each of the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Punjab;
- (c) the average annual growth of States as against the national average during each of the last three years, State/ UT -wise including Punjab;
- (d) whether any States have registered declining growth during the above period; and
- (e) if so, the details of factor responsible for the decline and corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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(a) to (e): The growth rate of Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) at constant 2004-5 prices for States/ UTs including Punjab during the last three years(2011-12 to 2013-2014) is given at Annexure. Some of the States/UTs that have shown continuous growth during each of the last three years are Arunachal Pradesh, Chandigarh, Delhi, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and West Bengal. There is continuous decline in the growth rate of Andaman & Nicobar Island only during this period. As would be seen, no other State/ UT has shown a regular decline during this period.

The annual growth rates of GSDP depend on a number of factors, which include the national and international macro-economic environment and other State specific factors like resource endowments, historical background of development and infrastructure defects. The Governmenttakes several measures to improve the growth performance across the country in a balanced manner. The policy instruments in this regard includes plan and non-plan transfers of resources from Centre to States, tax incentives for setting up of private industries in the backward regions, etc. Several Centrally Sponsored Schemes and State specific schemes are also being implemented.