

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PLANNING  
LOK SABHA**

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Role of States in Central Schemes  
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**Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether several State Governments have demanded a greater role in formulating the Central Schemes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the names of the States;
- (c) whether the Government has acceded to such demands and if so, the details thereof;and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE  
(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a)to(d): Under the Cooperative Federalism Model, the States/UTs have greater role to play jointly with Centre in developing contours of the national development agenda. The Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) are important instruments for meeting the National Development Agenda. CSSs are formulated on the basis of consultation between Union and the States/UTs. These schemes are implemented by the States/UTs and are funded jointly by the Centre and the States. In pursuance of the decision taken in the first meeting of the Governing Council of NITI Aayog, held on February 8, 2015 a Sub-Group of CMs under the Convenership of the Chief Minister, Madhya Pradesh was constituted on 9th March 2015 for rationalization of CSS, to be serviced by NITI Aayog. During the meetings of the Sub-Group, several State Governments raised the issue of assigning greater role to States in formulating the central schemes. All the issues have been noted by the Sub-Group and the report is in the advance stage of finalization.