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Title: Need to grant special status to Ferozepur, Gurdaspur and Amritsar districts of Punjab under Border Development Scheme - Laid.

SHRI J.S. BRAR (FARIDKOT) : The Central Government has announced special status to the border areas/districts in the country for over all development to uplift the living of the people.

This Scheme is yet to be implemented in Punjab although this privilege has been extended to J & K, Himachal, Rajasthan and some Northern States. Three border districts of Punjab, i.e. Ferozpur, Gurdaspur and Amritsar should be brought under this scheme immediately.