

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2330**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2022

**ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS**

†2330. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:  
SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:  
SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:  
SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:  
SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:  
SHRI RAMESH CHANDER KAUSHIK:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether districts of Madhya Pradesh, Supaul district of Bihar, West Singhbhum district of Jharkhand and districts of Jammu and Kashmir have also been covered under Aspirational Districts Programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated and received by the aspirational districts identified throughout the country from the CSR fund during the last two years and the current year, sector-wise and work-wise;
- (d) whether the fund has been spent within the stipulated time frame and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, whether the Government has fixed any accountability in this regard?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

**(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)**

- (a) & (b) Aspirational Districts Programme was launched in 2018 to bring rapid transformation in the relatively underdeveloped Districts. There are 112 Aspirational Districts, across 26 States and 1 Union Territory. Among the 112 Aspirational Districts eight (8) districts from Madhya Pradesh, West Singhbhum from Jharkhand (along with eighteen (18) other Districts from the State of Jharkhand) and Districts of Baramulla and Kupwara from the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir are covered under the Programme. These were selected through a transparent process on basis of published data. List of Aspirational Districts as well as the data sets and the weight attached to them for selection of these districts is attached in *Annexure - I*. As per this method, the districts which were selected as Aspirational Districts had overall lesser progress than Supaul district in 2018 and as such, Supaul has not been included.

- (c) The Government provides broad framework for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) through Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013 ('Act'), Schedule VII of the Act and Companies (CSR Policy) Rules, 2014. As per the legal framework, CSR is a board driven process and Board of the Company is empowered to plan, decide, execute and monitor CSR activities based on recommendation of its CSR Committee. The CSR architecture is disclosure based and CSR mandated companies are required to file details of CSR initiatives annually in MCA21 registry. All data related to CSR (State/UT-wise, development sector wise, company wise as well as district wise) as filed by companies in MCA 21 registry is available in public domain at [www.csr.gov.in](http://www.csr.gov.in).
- (d) The CSR spent in aspirational districts for the financial year 2019-20 and 2020-21 (district wise and sector wise) is at ***Annexure II***.
- (e) Section 135 of the Act was amended vide Companies (Amendment) Act, 2019 and Companies (Amendment) Act, 2020. These amendments provided for the transfer of unspent CSR amount pertaining to ongoing projects in a special account, namely, Unspent CSR account and spending the same in succeeding three financial years. Further, non-compliance of CSR provisions is also made as a civil wrong w. e. f. 22nd January 2021.

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**List of 112 Aspirational Districts**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>District</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	Vizianagaram
2	Andhra Pradesh	Visakhapatnam
3	Andhra Pradesh	Y.S.R. Kadapa
4	Arunachal Pradesh	Namsai
5	Assam	Goalpara
6	Assam	Barpeta
7	Assam	Hailakandi
8	Assam	Baksa
9	Assam	Darrang
10	Assam	Udalguri
11	Assam	Dhubri
12	Bihar	Sitamarhi
13	Bihar	Araria
14	Bihar	Purnia
15	Bihar	Katihar
16	Bihar	Muzaffarpur
17	Bihar	Begusarai
18	Bihar	Khagaria
19	Bihar	Banka
20	Bihar	Sheikhpura
21	Bihar	Aurangabad
22	Bihar	Gaya
23	Bihar	Nawada
24	Bihar	Jamui
25	Chhattisgarh	Korba
26	Chhattisgarh	Rajnandgaon
27	Chhattisgarh	Mahasamund
28	Chhattisgarh	Kanker
29	Chhattisgarh	Narayanpur
30	Chhattisgarh	Dantewada
31	Chhattisgarh	Bijapur
32	Chhattisgarh	Bastar
33	Chhattisgarh	Kondagaon
34	Chhattisgarh	Sukma
35	Gujarat	Dahod
36	Gujarat	Narmada
37	Haryana	Mewat
38	Himachal Pradesh	Chamba
39	UT of Jammu & Kashmir	Kupwara
40	UT of Jammu & Kashmir	Baramulla
41	Jharkhand	Garhwa
42	Jharkhand	Chatra
43	Jharkhand	Giridih
44	Jharkhand	Godda
45	Jharkhand	Sahibganj
46	Jharkhand	Pakur

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>District</b>
47	Jharkhand	Bokaro
48	Jharkhand	Lohardaga
49	Jharkhand	Purbi Singhbhum
50	Jharkhand	Palamu
51	Jharkhand	Latehar
52	Jharkhand	Hazaribagh
53	Jharkhand	Ramgarh
54	Jharkhand	Dumka
55	Jharkhand	Ranchi
56	Jharkhand	Khunti
57	Jharkhand	Gumla
58	Jharkhand	Simdega
59	Jharkhand	Pashchimi Singhbhum
60	Karnataka	Raichur
61	Karnataka	Yadgir
62	Kerala	Wayanad
63	Madhya Pradesh	Chhatarpur
64	Madhya Pradesh	Damoh
65	Madhya Pradesh	Barwani
66	Madhya Pradesh	Rajgarh
67	Madhya Pradesh	Vidisha
68	Madhya Pradesh	Guna
69	Madhya Pradesh	Singrauli
70	Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa
71	Maharashtra	Nandurbar
72	Maharashtra	Washim
73	Maharashtra	Gadchiroli
74	Maharashtra	Osmanabad
75	Manipur	Chandel
76	Meghalaya	Ribhoi
77	Mizoram	Mamit
78	Nagaland	Kiphire
79	Odisha	Dhenkanal
80	Odisha	Gajapati
81	Odisha	Kandhamal
82	Odisha	Balangir
83	Odisha	Kalahandi
84	Odisha	Rayagada
85	Odisha	Koraput
86	Odisha	Malkangiri
87	Odisha	Nabarangpur
88	Odisha	Nuapada
89	Punjab	Moga
90	Punjab	Ferozpur
91	Rajasthan	Dholpur
92	Rajasthan	Karauli
93	Rajasthan	Jaisalmer
94	Rajasthan	Sirohi

S. No.	State	District
95	Rajasthan	Baran
96	Sikkim	West Sikkim
97	Tamil Nadu	Virudhunagar
98	Tamil Nadu	Ramanathapuram
99	Telangana	Asifabad
100	Telangana	Bhoopalapally
101	Telangana	Bhadradi-Kothagudem
102	Tripura	Dhalai
103	Uttar Pradesh	Chitrakoot
104	Uttar Pradesh	Fatehpur
105	Uttar Pradesh	Bahraich
106	Uttar Pradesh	Shrawasti
107	Uttar Pradesh	Balrampur
108	Uttar Pradesh	Siddharthnagar
109	Uttar Pradesh	Chandauli
110	Uttar Pradesh	Sonbhadra
111	Uttarakhand	Udham Singh Nagar
112	Uttarakhand	Haridwar

**List of data sets and weights used for selection of Aspirational Districts**

DATABASES	SECTOR	WEIGHT
Landless households dependent on Manual labour ( <i>Socio Economic Caste Census – Deprivation 7</i> )	Deprivation (25%)	25%
Ante natal care ( <i>National Health and Family Survey (NHFS) - 4</i> )	Health & Nutrition (30%)	7.5%
Institutional delivery ( <i>NHFS-4</i> )		7.5%
Stunting of children below 5 years ( <i>NHFS-4</i> )		7.5%
Wasting in children below 5 years ( <i>NHFS-4</i> )		7.5%
Elementary dropout rate ( <i>Unified District Information System for Education (U-DISE) 2015-16</i> )	Education (15%)	7.5%
Adverse pupil teacher ratio ( <i>U-DISE 2015-16</i> )		7.5%
Un-electrified households ( <i>Ministry of Power</i> )	Infra (30%)	7.5%
Households without individual toilets ( <i>Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation</i> )		7.5%
Un-connected PMGSY village ( <i>Ministry of Rural Development</i> )		7.5%
Rural Household without access to water ( <i>Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation</i> )		7.5%
<b>Total</b>		<b>100%</b>

**District-wise details of CSR in Aspirational Districts for FY 2019-20 and FY 2020-21**

<b>Aspirational District</b>	<b>FY 2019-20</b>	<b>FY 2020-21</b>
Kadapa	3.17	1.49
Visakhapatnam	26.05	38.89
Vizianagaram	2.49	2.16
Namsai	0	0
Baksa	0.23	0
Barpeta	13.89	4.73
Darrang	15.61	3.48
Dhubri	2.88	0.02
Goalpara	0	0
Hailakandi	0	0
Udalguri	0	0
Araria	0.11	0
Aurangabad	0.80	1.23
Banka	0	0.02
Begusarai	3.50	3.26
Gaya	2.17	1.05
Jamui	0.44	0
Katihar	0.06	0.23
Khagaria	0	0
Muzaffarpur	0.73	3.24
Nawada	2.13	0
Purnia	0	0.14
Sitamarhi	4.79	0
Bastar	0	4.98
Bijapur	0	1.79
Dantewada	0	12.13
Kanker	0	0.09
Korba	15.25	17.82
Mahasamund	1.78	0
Narayanpur	2.20	1.99
Rajnandgaon	4.82	2.77
Sukma	0.23	1.19
Dahod	31.36	92.50
Narmada	1.81	0.73
Mewat	3.36	4.23
Chamba	0.21	5.71
Baramulla	0	11.01
Bokaro	1.99	0.10
Chatra	0	0.20
Dumka	0.73	1.50
East Singhbhum	6.90	11.98
Giridih	1.48	1.13
Godda	7.95	2.70
Gumla	0.25	0.26
Hazaribagh	1.09	1.26

Khunti	0.21	1.42
Latehar	0	0
Pakur	0	0.50
Palamu	2.36	
Ramgarh	0.12	0.38
Ranchi	6.90	5.79
Sahebganj	0.01	0.18
Simdega	0.03	0.52
West Singhbhum	3.25	1.95
Raichur	4.51	1.72
Yadgir	1.64	0.97
Wayanad	3.05	1.19
Barwani	2.12	0.25
Chhatarpur	0.43	0.21
Damoh	1.69	1.82
Guna	0.53	3.00
Khandwa	12.82	6.99
Rajgarh	1.54	0.27
Singrauli	0.13	72.88
Vidisha	0	0
Gadchiroli	1.38	8.88
Nandurbar	8.71	16.53
Osmanabad	2.66	2.66
Washim	0.48	0.10
Chandel	0.13	
Ri Bhoi	0.16	0.00
Balangir	0.06	9.53
Dhenkanal	4.70	3.32
Gajapati	0	0
Kalahandi	10.50	7.27
Kandhamal	1.12	0
Koraput	15.13	13.22
Malkangiri	0.02	0
Nabarangpur	0.01	0
Nuapada	0.30	0.01
Rayagada	6.09	2.66
Firozpur	0.16	0.66
Moga	1.22	0.33
Baran	5.68	0.40
Dholpur	0.52	0.06
Jaisalmer	3.40	0.23
Karauli	3.04	9.13
Sirohi	4.56	2.28
West Sikkim	0	0.50
Ramanathapuram	7.42	13.49
Virudhunagar	13.88	14.66
Bhadradri Kothagudem	3.38	3.60

Asifabad	0	0.04
Dhalai	0.48	0.24
Bahraich	0.33	0.91
Balrampur	0.82	0.91
Chandauli	0	0.89
Chitrakoot	0	0.30
Fatehpur	0.24	0.23
Shravasti	0.01	0.33
Sonbhadra	1.15	25.03
Haridwar	28.07	33.03
Udham Singh Nagar	8.73	8.86
<b>Total</b>	<b>336.32</b>	<b>516.34</b>

(Data upto 31.12.2021)

**Sector-wise details of CSR in Aspirational Districts for FY 2019-20 and FY 2020-21**

Sl. No	Development Sector	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21
1	Agro forestry	0.96	0
2	Animal welfare	1.39	0.72
3	Armed Forces, Veterans, War Widows/ Dependents	0.31	0.12
4	Art and culture	5.23	1.04
5	Clean Ganga Fund	0.01	0
6	Conservation of natural resources	1.42	5.13
7	Education	116.19	169.41
8	Environmental sustainability	7.82	20.32
9	Gender equality	0.60	0.67
10	Health care	101.59	181.52
11	Livelihood enhancement projects	5.53	11.41
12	Other Central Government Funds	1.80	1.21
13	Poverty, Eradicating Hunger, Malnutrition	10.25	11.40
14	Prime Minister's National Relief Fund	0.64	7.13
15	Rural development projects	22.25	51.08
16	Safe drinking water	8.25	9.00
17	Sanitation	17.50	19.07
18	Senior Citizens Welfare	0.90	2.23
19	Setting up homes and hostels for women	1.14	0.27
20	Setting up orphanage	0.39	0.06
21	Slum area development	0.86	0.38
22	Socio-economic inequalities	1.57	1.06
23	Special education	8.97	1.37
24	Swachh Bharat Kosh	1.96	0.53
25	Technology incubators	0.50	0.05
26	Training to promote sports	7.95	5.71
27	Vocational skills	5.33	13.03
28	Women empowerment	4.99	2.43
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>336.32</b>	<b>516.34</b>

(Data upto 31.12.2021)

Note 1: Data on the missing eight districts is not available in the filings. As far as blank values are concerned, it is informed that sometimes companies mention a project along with outlay in the filings, however in spent they fill "0" or leave blank.

Note 2: The data for FY 2020-21 is subject to change as the levy of additional fees for the late filing has been relaxed till 15.03.2022.

Further, filings for financial year 2021-22 are required to be made only after the end of current financial year.