

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES  
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PROJECTS  
PRABODH PANDA

**Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government have allocated funds for the development of various existing development projects executed by the Ministry in West Bengal?
- (b) if so, the details of the funds allocated and disbursed for various Centrally assisted schemes in the State during the last three years;
- (c) whether the money allocated for various schemes and projects has been utilized fully;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI SANJAYA GAUTAM)

- (a): The two major development projects/ programmes relating to Agro and Rural Industries are the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) and Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) which are being executed throughout the country including West Bengal. While, the funds for REGP are allocated by the Central Government to the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) for further release to the implementing Banks as margin money grants, the Central Government allocates and disburses funds for subsidy as well as for Training and Entrepreneurial Development, etc. under the PMRY. While the funds for subsidy under the PMRY are authorised to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for passing on to the individual beneficiaries through the implementing banks, the funds for Training and Entrepreneurial Development etc. are released to the States/UTs.
- (b): The details of funds allocated and disbursed in West Bengal during the last three years through KVIC under REGP and through RBI and State Government under PMRY are at Annexures-I & II, respectively.
- (c) to (e): The details are at Annexures-III & IV.