

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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EXPENDITURE ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount being spent every year on rural development in Rajasthan;
- (b) whether the Government proposed to increase the amount in the desert districts;
- (c) if so, the time by which it is likely to be increased; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) Total funds allocated and released to the State of Rajasthan for implementation of Rural Development Schemes during the last three years i.e. 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05 and current year 2005-06 are given below:

Year	Funds Released (Centre + State) (Rs. in crore)	Foodgrains released under SGRY and NFFWP (Unit in Tonnes)
2002-03	866.80	183856
2003-04	841.10	224972
2004-05	1449.94	196871@
2005-06	844.46 (up to Oct. 2005)	122580@

SGRY : Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana
NFFWP : National Food For Work Programme
@ : Including NFFWP

(b) to (d) The funds under the major Rural Development Programmes are allocated on the basis of the incidence of poverty in the States including Rajasthan as per the estimates prepared by the Planning Commission on the basis of the results of National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) survey. Besides other parameters like absorption capacity, proportion of rural poor in a State, to the total rural poor, housing shortage are also given weightage as per the specific programme guidelines.