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EXTERNAL AIDED PROJECTS IN ASSAM
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of projects being implemented in Assam with the development assistance from other countries or loan from international funding agencies like World Bank, Asian Development along with total outlay, details of execution status and liability of State and Union Government;

(b) the details of other schemes under consideration for implementation in Assam; and

(c) the details of other programmes being implemented with the assistance or loan from national financial institutions/banks including NABARD in Assam?

Answer

Minister of State Expenditure, Banking & Insurance) in Ministry of Finance (Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal)

(a) The details of projects being implemented in Assam with the development assistance from various bilateral and multilateral development partners including the loan/grant amount committed, cumulative disbursement so far are furnished in the enclosed statement. The Central Government receives the foreign assistance as per standard terms and conditions of the development partner and till 31.03.2005 it was being released to the State by the Central Government as additional central assistance (ACA). Government of India has accepted the recommendation of the 12th Finance Commission to pass on external assistance on the same terms and conditions on which it was received. The service cost and exchange rate fluctuations would also be passed on to the States under this arrangement. Accordingly, in case of new projects signed on or after April 1, 2005, the external assistance will be passed on `back-to-back` basis. However, it has been decided to continue with the earlier arrangements for ongoing projects as on 31.03.2005. Further releases to such projects will continue to be provided in the form of Additional Central Assistance (ACA) in the- loan/grant ratio 10:90 for Assam.

(b) The following proposals for Assam are under consideration with the assistance of various multilateral and bilateral development partners.

1. Assam Governance and Public Resources Management (ADB).
2. Assam Integrated Flood Control & River Erosion Mitigation (ADB).
3. North Eastern Urban Development (Phase-II) Project (ADB).
4. Greater Guwahati Water Supply Scheme (Japanese ODA loan package).
5. Upgradation of State Highways and Major District Roads in Assam (World Bank)
6. Assam Rural Water Supply and Sanitation (World Bank).

(c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.