

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2560
ANSWERED ON:04.12.2007
TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME
Bhagora Shri Mahavir

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has implemented any transport subsidy scheme to promote Industries in the country;
- (b) if so, the names of the States where transport subsidy scheme has been implemented;
- (c) the details of funds released and utilized under this scheme during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (d) the number of beneficiaries of the subsidy provided under the scheme;
- (e) whether any evaluation of this scheme has been made; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a): Yes, Sir. The Transport Subsidy Scheme was introduced on 23rd July, 1971 to promote industrialisation in hilly, remote and inaccessible areas of the country.

(b): The Scheme has been implemented in the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura, Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Darjeeling District of West Bengal, the Union Territories of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Dadra & Nagar Haveli.

(c)&(d): A total amount of Rs.244.59 crore was released under the Scheme during the last three years. State-wise details and the number of beneficiary units are at Annexure 'A'.

(e)&(f): The Transport Subsidy Scheme, 1971 is under evaluation by the Planning Commission.

ANNEXURE "A"

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (c) AND (d) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2560 FOR ANSWER ON 04.12.2007.

I. AMOUNT RELEASED AND UTILIZED DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS UNDER THE TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME

(Rupees in Crore)

Sl. No. States/Union Territories 2004-05 2005-06 2006-07

1. Assam	33.56	21.45	28.16
2. Arunachal Pradesh	03.40	07.97	11.64
3. Manipur	-	-	01.14
4. Meghalaya	19.36	20.32	17.95
5. Mizoram	13.90	01.21	00.48
6. Nagaland	-	-	24.62
7. Tripura	00.28	01.4	00.73
8. Sikkim	-	00.59	02.63
9. J&K	05.00	-	05.98
10. Himachal Pradesh	06.00	04.50	06.50
11. Uttarakhand	04.41	-	-
12. West Bengal (Darjeeling)	00.36	-	-
13. Andaman and Nicobar Island	00.91	00.14	-
14. Lakshadweep	-	-	-
Total	87.18	57.58	99.83

II. STATE WISE NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES

Sl. No. States/Union Territories Number

1. Assam 333
2. Arunachal Pradesh 58
3. Manipur 1
4. Meghalaya 144
5. Mizoram 754
6. Nagaland 613
7. Tripura 59
8. Sikkim 15
9. J&K 253#
10. Himachal Pradesh 3472#
11. Uttarakhand 1150#
12. West Bengal (Darjeeling) Not available
13. Andaman and Nicobar Island Not available
14. Lakshadweep Not available

upto September, 2004.