

1	2
China	1.82
Pakistan	2.60
France	74.12
Slovakia	51.80
Czech Republic	33.27

Australia and gulf countries do not have nuclear power plants in operation at present. In Iran, the first nuclear power plant has recently been connected to the grid.

(c) India proposes to set up about 20,000 MW nuclear power generation capacity by 2020. Targets for generation of electricity from nuclear power are fixed annually based on fuel availability, planned maintenance shutdowns of existing units, expected new capacity additions etc. The generation of electricity from nuclear power during the year 2010-11 was 26,473 Million Units (MUs) against the target of 22,000 MUs. This was 3.3% of the electricity generated in the country during the year. The target for the year 2011-12 is 32,000 MUs of which 10,675 MUs have been generated from April to July, 2011. The share of nuclear power generation in the country is expected to increase gradually with the capacity addition.

#### **Planning process to reduce regional imbalance**

\*509. SHRI MANGALA KISAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the planning process adopted by Government to reduce the regional imbalance in the country;

(b) the number of pockets/regions of the country that have been identified as most backward regions or underdeveloped regions like Bundelkhand region in the country;

(c) whether Government would declared those pockets as identified backward regions; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) to (d) The reduction of regional imbalances is a stated priority of development policy and the Government is committed to it. However, while the economically weaker States are catching up in growth rates, there is growing concern about the backwardness of individual districts, several of which are located in States that are otherwise doing well. Many of these districts are also affected by Left Wing Extremism. The strategy has been to generate employment opportunities in rural areas, develop infrastructure and provide better access to health, education, drinking water, sanitation, etc. in order to bring a tangible improvement in the standard of living and quality of life of the people. Hence, the norms and allocations of major flagship programmes and Centrally Sponsored Schemes such as Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Indira Awas Yojana (IAY), National Rural Health Mission (NRHM), Rajiv Gandhi Gramin Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY), Drinking Water Supply, etc. are designed to target the development of backward regions. In addition, area specific programmes are in operation for redressing the problems of regional disparities. In order to specifically address the issue of reduction in regional imbalance in the country, the Government has initiated the Backward Regions Grant Fund (BRGF) in 2006-07. BRGF has two components, namely, the District Component covering 250 districts in 27 States (List at Table I), identified as backward and the State Component covering the Special Plans for Bihar and the Special Plan for undivided Kalahandi-Bolangir-Koraput (KBK) districts of Orissa. The details are given in Statement (See below).

In addition, there are other area programmes such as the Hill Areas Development Programme/Western Ghats Development Programme, Border Area Development Programme, etc. which target the development of areas with specific problems. The Government has also approved an Integrated Action Plan for 60 Selected Tribal and Backward Districts in nine States on 25.11.2010 with a block grant of Rs. 25 crore and Rs. 30 crore per district for 2010-11 and 2011-12 respectively. The Special Package for Implementing Drought Mitigation Strategies in Bundelkhand Region is in operation in seven districts of Uttar Pradesh and six districts of Madhya Pradesh.

**Statement**

*Backward Regions Grant Fund – District Component*

**List of 250 Districts**

<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>		5	Goalpara
1	Adilabad	6	Hailakandi
2	Anantapur	7	Karbi Anglong
3	Chittoor	8	Kokrajhar
4	Cuddapah	9	Lakhimpur
5	Karimnagar	10	Marigaon
6	Khammam	11	North Cachar Hills
7	Mahbubnagar	<b>Bihar</b>	
8	Medak	1	Araria
9	Nalgonda	2	Aurangabad
10	Nizamabad	3	Banka
11	Rangareddi	4	Begusarai
12	Vizianagaram	5	Bhagalpur
13	Warangal	6	Bhojpur
<b>Arunachal Pradesh</b>		7	Buxar
1	Upper Subansiri	8	Darbhanga
<b>Assam</b>		9	Gaya
1	Barpeta	10	Gopalganj
2	Bongaigaon	11	Jamui
3	Cachar	12	Jehanabad
4	Dhemaji	13	Kaimur (Bhabua)

- 14 Katihar
- 15 Khagaria
- 16 Kishanganj
- 17 Lakhisarai
- 18 Madhepura
- 19 Madhubani
- 20 Munger
- 21 Muzaffarpur
- 22 Nalanda
- 23 Nawada
- 24 Pashchim Champaran
- 25 Patna
- 26 Purbi Champaran
- 27 Purnia
- 28 Rohtas
- 29 Saharsa
- 30 Samastipur
- 31 Saran
- 32 Sheikhpura
- 33 Sheohar
- 34 Sitamarhi
- 35 Supaul
- 36 Vaishali

#### **Chhattisgarh**

- 1 Bastar
- 2 Bilaspur
- 3 Dantewada
- 4 Dhamtari
- 5 Jashpur
- 6 Kabirdham
- 7 Kanker
- 8 Korba
- 9 Korea
- 10 Mahasamund
- 11 Raigarh
- 12 Rajnandgaon
- 13 Surguja

#### **Gujarat**

- 1 Banas Kantha
- 2 Dahod
- 3 Dang
- 4 Narmada
- 5 Panch Mahals
- 6 Sabar Kantha

#### **Haryana**

- 1 Mahendragarh
- 2 Sirsa

**Himachal Pradesh**

- 1 Chamba
- 2 Sirmaur

**Jammu & Kashmir**

- 1 Doda
- 2 Kupwara
- 3 Poonch

**Jharkhand**

- 1 Bokaro
- 2 Chatra
- 3 Deoghar
- 4 Dhanbad
- 5 Dumka
- 6 Garhwa
- 7 Giridih
- 8 Godda
- 9 Gumla
- 10 Hazaribagh
- 11 Jamtara
- 12 Koderma
- 13 Latehar
- 14 Lohardaga
- 15 Pakur
- 16 Palamu

- 17 Ranchi
- 18 Sahebganj
- 19 Saraikela Kharsawan
- 20 Simdega
- 21 West Singhbhum

**Karnataka**

- 1 Bidar
- 2 Chitradurga
- 3 Davangere
- 4 Gulbarga
- 5 Raichur

**Kerala**

- 1 Palakkad
- 2 Wayanad

**Madhya Pradesh**

- 1 Balaghat
- 2 Barwani
- 3 Betul
- 4 Chhatarpur
- 5 Damoh
- 6 Dhar
- 7 Dindori
- 8 Guna
- 9 Jhabua

- 10 Katni
- 11 Khandwa
- 12 Khargone
- 13 Mandla
- 14 Panna
- 15 Rajgarh
- 16 Rewa
- 17 Satna
- 18 Seoni
- 19 Shahdol
- 20 Sheopur
- 21 Shivpuri
- 22 Sidhi
- 23 Tikamgarh
- 24 Umaria

**Maharashtra**

- 1 Ahmednagar
- 2 Amravati
- 3 Aurangabad
- 4 Bhandara
- 5 Chandrapur
- 6 Dhule
- 7 Gadchiroli
- 8 Gondia

- 9 Hingoli
- 10 Nanded
- 11 Nandurbar
- 12 Yavatmal

**Manipur**

- 1 Chandel
- 2 Churachandpur
- 3 Tamenglong

**Meghalaya**

- 1 Ri Bhoi
- 2 South Garo Hills
- 3 West Garo Hills

**Mizoram**

- 1 Lawngtlai
- 2 Saiha

**Nagaland**

- 1 Mon
- 2 Tuensang
- 3 Wokha

**Orissa**

- 1 Balangir
- 2 Boudh
- 3 Deogarh
- 4 Dhenkanal

- 5 Gajapati
- 6 Ganjam
- 7 Jharsuguda
- 8 Kalahandi
- 9 Kandhamal
- 10 Keonjhar
- 11 Koraput
- 12 Malkangiri
- 13 Mayurbhanj
- 14 Nabarangpur
- 15 Nuapada
- 16 Rayagada
- 17 Sambalpur
- 18 Sonepur
- 19 Sundargarh

**Punjab**

- 1 Hoshiarpur

**Rajasthan**

- 1 Banswara
- 2 Barmer
- 3 Chittorgarh
- 4 Dungarpur
- 5 Jaisalmer
- 6 Jalore

- 7 Jhalawar
- 8 Karauli
- 9 Sawai Madhopur
- 10 Sirohi
- 11 Tonk
- 12 Udaipur

**Sikkim**

- 1 North District

**Tamil Nadu**

- 1 Cuddalore
- 2 Dindigul
- 3 Nagapattinam
- 4 Sivaganga
- 5 Tiruvannamalai
- 6 Villupuram

**Tripura**

- 1 Dhalai

**Uttar Pradesh**

- 1 Ambedkarnagar
- 2 Azamgarh
- 3 Bahraich
- 4 Balrampur
- 5 Banda
- 6 Barabanki

7	Basti	31	Siddharth Nagar
8	Budaun	32	Sitapur
9	Chandauli	33	Sonbhadra
10	Chitrakoot	34	Unnao
11	Etah		<b>Uttarakhand</b>
12	Farrukhabad	1	Chamoli
13	Fatehpur	2	Champawat
14	Gonda	3	Tehri Garhwal
15	Gorakhpur		<b>West Bengal</b>
16	Hamirpur	1	24 Paraganas South
17	Hardoi	2	Bankura
18	Jalaun	3	Birbhum
19	Jaunpur	4	Dinajpur Dakshin
20	Kaushambi	5	Dinajpur Uttar
21	Kheri	6	Jalpaiguri
22	Kushi Nagar	7	Maldah
23	Lalitpur	8	Medinipur East
24	Maharajganj	9	Medinipur West
25	Mahoba	10	Murshidabad
26	Mirzapur	11	Purulia
27	Pratapgarh		
28	Rae Bareli		
29	Sant Kabeer Nagar		
30	Shravasti		