Gap in *per capita* Income of Bihar and the country

*248. SHRI N.K. SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that with the exception of the last two years, the gap between the per capita income of Bihar and the national per capita income has consistently widened since 1950;
 - (b) whether the rate of recovery has been unsatisfactory;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether Government is proposing to undertake any measures to support the State Government to effectively bridge the development gap; and
 - (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA): (a) to (c) Based on the latest information on comparable series of per capita income, measured by the NSDP at constant 2004-05 prices, and available from the Central Statistical Office of the Ministry of Planning and Programme Implementation, Government of India, the per capita income of Bihar is estimated as Rs. 7914 in 2004-05 as against the average per capita income of Rs. 24143 at national level. This yields the gap between the per capita income of Bihar and the national per capita income as Rs. 16229 in 2004-05. In 2012-13, the per capita income of Bihar is estimated as Rs. 14268 as against the average per capita income of Rs. 39143 at all-India level, yielding the gap between the two as Rs. 24875. Table below gives the per capita income of Bihar and the national per capita income for each year since 2004-05 along with the gap between the two. Although the gap is found to increase overtime, the rate of growth of per capita income of Bihar has been faster that at all-India level in most of the years during the period 2004-05 to 2012-13 as can be seen from the table below. The ratio of per capita income of Bihar to that of national per capita income given in the table below show increase overtime, which suggests that proportional gap is narrowing down.

Table: Comparison of per capita income of Bihar with All-India at constant (2004-05) prices

SI. Years No.		Per capita Income (Rs./Annum)			Growth over previous year in per capita income (%)		per capita income of
		Bihar	National		Bihar	National	Bihar to National (%)
1.	2004-2005	7914	24143	16229	_	_	32.8
2.	2005-2006	7749	26015	18266	-2.09	7.75	29.8
3.	2006-2007	8900	28067	19167	14.86	7.89	31.7
4.	2007-2008	9233	30332	21099	3.74	8.07	30.4
5.	2008-2009	10241	31754	21513	10.92	4.69	32.3
6.	2009-2010	10771	33901	23130	5.18	6.76	31.8
7.	2010-2011	11792	36342	24550	9.48	7.20	32.4
8.	2011-2012	13178	38037	24859	11.75	4.66	34.6
9.	2012-2013	14268	39143	24875	8.27	2.91	36.5

(d) and (e) The Special Plan for Bihar was approved in 2003-04. An allocation of Rs. 1000 crore per annum was approved for the Special Plan during the Tenth Plan period (2002-2007) after approval to the scheme in 2003-04 under the erstwhile Rashtriya Sam Vikas Yojana. The same allocation was approved to be continued during the Eleventh Plan period (2007-12) under the Backward Regions Grant Fund. This allocation was enhanced to Rs.2000 crore for 2010-11 and Rs.1470 crore for 2011-12. An allocation of Rs.1500 crore has been made for 2012-13. Funds are being released for various projects on 100% grant basis.

The projects namely, Development of State Highways, Rail-cum-Road Bridge, Strengthening of Sub-Transmission System, Renovation and Modernization of Barauni and Muzaffarpur Thermal Power Stations, Restoration of Eastern Gandak Canal, Integrated Watershed Development Programme and Integrated Community Based Forest Management are being funded under the Special Plan for Bihar.

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The aim of the programme is to accelerate socio-economic development in Bihar. Through the special plan for Bihar, infrastructure particularly power, roads, and irrigation is being put in place.

Allocation for Guwahati under JNNURM

*249. SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of amount sanctioned on various proposals of Guwahati city under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), indicating amount released, utilized and achievement made, proposal-wise and year-wise till date since inception of the Mission;
- (b) whether any proposal has been received for dredging and cleaning of different rivers/canals, particularly the Bharalu river in Guwahati city, to be funded under JNNURM or any other Centrally sponsored schemes; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and time by when the said proposal would be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Details of amount sanctioned for the projects approved for the Mission city of Guwahati under Urban Infrastructure and Governance (UIG) Sub-Mission of Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) indicating year-wise and projectwise amount released for utilization with financial and physical progress is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) and (c) No project for dredging and cleaning of different rivers/canals, particularly the Bharalu river in Guwahati city under JNNURM has been received.