## Government of India Ministry of Planning NITI Aayog

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Subject: Release of Rs. 200 crore as Special Assistance to Bihar State provided under Demand No.32 of Union Budget for completion of the approved ongoing projects under Special Plan Bihar.

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Government of India is committed to assist the states to meet the "spill over liabilities" of their area specific schemes and projects for which budget provision has not been made after the implementation of Fourteenth Finance Commission recommendations and also to provide for need-based assistance to the states on account of varying socioeconomic-geographical factors. To honour this commitment, an amount of Rs. 200 crore from Demand No.32 of Union Budget 2016-17 has been approved to be released as Special Assistance to Bihar. Some major projects which are being funded under the Special Plan include 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.

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