

**Assurances given by the Hon'ble Prime Minister while intervening on the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Bill, 2014 in Rajya Sabha on 20th February, 2014**

- (1) For purposes of Central assistance, Special Category Status will be extended to the successor State of Andhra Pradesh comprising 13 districts, including the four districts of Rayalaseema and the three districts of north coastal Andhra for a period of five years. This will put the State's finances on a firmer footing.
- (2) The Bill already stipulates that the Central Government shall take appropriate fiscal measures, including offer of tax incentives to the successor States in order to promote industrialization and economic growth in both the States. These incentives will be along the lines extended to some other States.
- (3) The Bill already provides for a special development package for the backward regions of the successor State of Andhra Pradesh, in particular for the districts of Rayalaseema and north coastal Andhra Pradesh. This development package will be on the lines of the K-B-K (Koraput-Bolangir-Kalahandi) Special Plan in Odisha and the Bundelkhand special package in Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh.
- (4) If any further amendments are needed to facilitate smooth and full Rehabilitation & Resettlement(R&R) for the Polavaram project, they will be given effect to at the earliest. Our Government will execute the Polavaram project; let there be no doubt about it.

**Provisions made in The Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Bill, 2014 which require approval by the Planning Commission**

- (1) Establishment of one IIT, one NIT, one IIM, one IISER, one Central University, one Petroleum University, One Agricultural University and one IIIT in the successor state of Andhra Pradesh.
- (2) Establishment of one AIIMS-type super-speciality Hospital in the successor state of Andhra Pradesh.
- (3) Establishment of a Tribal University each in the State of Andhra Pradesh and in the state of Telangana.
- (4) Establishment of a Horticulture University in the successor state of Telangana.
- (5) Establishment of National Institute of Disaster Management in the successor state of Andhra Pradesh.
- (6) Development of a major port at Duggirajapatnam in the successor State of Andhra Pradesh.
- (7) SAIL, to establish a steel plant at Cuddapah, YSR District in the successor state of Andhra Pradesh and at Khammam in the successor state of Telangana.
- (8) IOC or HPCL to establish a Greenfield Crude Oil Refinery and Petrochemical Complex in the successor State of Andhra Pradesh.

- (9) Establishment of Vizag – Chennai Industrial Corridor on the lines of Delhi – Mumbai Industrial Corridor.
- (10) Expansion of the existing Visakhapatnam, Vijayawada and Tirupati airports to international standards.
- (11) NTPC to establish a 4000 MW power facility in the successor state of Telangana.
- (12) Indian Railways to establish a new Railway Zone for the successor state of Andhra Pradesh.
- (13) Indian Railways to establish a Coach Factory in the successor state of Telangana.
- (14) Government of India to establish rapid rail and road connectivity from the new capital of the successor State of Andhra Pradesh to Hyderabad.
- (15) Government of India to establish Metro Rail facility in Visakhapatnam and Vijayawada – Guntur – Tenali Metropolitan Urban Development Authority.

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