Categorisation of Backward Areas and Structure of Investment Subsidy

The backward areas in the country have been divided into the following three categories.

**Category 'A'**
Comprises no-industry districts plus special regions (134 districts)

**Category 'B'**
Comprises the districts currently eligible for central investment subsidy minus districts included in Category A (54 districts)

**Category 'C'**
Comprises existing 246 districts eligible for concessional finance minus those included in Categories A and B (113 districts)

**Eligibility to Central Investment Subsidy**

The central investment subsidy for the three categories as mentioned above is as under:

**Category 'A'**
25% of the fixed capital investment subject to a maximum of Rs. 25 lakh

**Category 'A'**
15% of the fixed capital investment subject to a maximum of Rs. 15 lakh

**Category 'A'**
10% of the fixed capital investment subject to a maximum of Rs. 10 lakh (in case of Electronics Industries set up in Hill districts, the maximum ceiling on subsidy has been raised from Rs.25 lakh to Rs.50 lakh with effect from the 1st April, 1985).

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1 Categorisation of backward areas and structure of Central Investment Subsidy is as per the announcement made by the Government of India on the 27th April 1983 and the modifications made in the scheme up to 22nd March 1985.
**Category ‘A’ Districts (134)**

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<td>Balaghat, Bhind, Chhatarpur, Chhindwara, Damoh, Datia, Dhar, Guna, Jhabua, Mandla, Narasinghpur, Panna, Rajgarh, Seoni, Shivapuri, Sidhi, Surguja, Tikamgarh (18)</td>
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<td>West Bengal</td>
<td>Bankura, Cooch Behar, Jalpaiguri, Malda (4)</td>
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**Special Region Districts**

| 1.  | Assam             | Cachar, Goalpara, Kamrup, Karbi, Anglong, Nawgong, North Cachar Hills, Lakhimpur, Darang, Dibrugarh, Sivasagar (10) |
2. **Himachal Pradesh**
   Chamba, Kangra, Kulu, Kinnaur, Lahaul & Spiti, Solan, Sirmur, Bilsapur, Hamirpur, Mandi, Simla, Una (12)

3. **Jammu & Kashmir**
   Anantnag, Baramula, Doda, Jammu, Kathua, Ladakh, Poonch, Rajouri, Srinagar, Udhampur, Badgam, Kaargil, Rupwara, Pulwama (14)

4. **Meghalaya**
   East Garo Hills, West Garo Hills, Jaintia Hills, East Khasi Hills, West Khasi Hills (5)

5. **Manipur**
   Manipur Central, Manipur East, Manipur North, Manipur South, Manipur West, Gangoopai (6)

6. **Nagaland**
   Kohima, Mekokchung, Teusang, Phek, Mon, Wokha, Zunheboto (7)

7. **Sikkim**
   Gantok, Gyalshing, Mangan, Namchi (4)

8. **Tripura**
   Tripura North, Tripura South, Tripura West (3)

9. **Uttar Pradesh**
   Almora, Chamoli, Pauri Garhwal, Tehri Garhwal, Uttar kashi, Pithoragarh, Dehradun, Nainital (8)

10. **West Bengal**
    Dajeeling (1)

11. **Andman & Nicobar Islands**
    Andaman Islands, Nicobar Islands (2)

12. **Arunachal Pradesh**
    Tirap, East Kameng, West Kameng, East Siang, West Siang, Lower Subansiri, Uppar Subansiri, Dobang Valley, Lohit (9)

13. **Dadra & Nagar Haveli**
    Dadra & Nagar Haveli (1)

14. **Goa, Daman & Diu**
    Goa, Daman & Diu (1)
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Area-II: Comprising 14 blocks viz., Khammam, Thirumalaipalem, Kallur, Yallandu, Kothagudem, Aswaraopeta, Burgampad and Bhadrachalam (from Khammam district) and Mehbubabad and Narasampet, Hanumakonda, Ghanapur, Jaangaon and Mulug (from Warangal district)

Area-III: Comprising 15 blocks viz., Zaheerabad, Patancheruvu, Narasapur, Medak and Siddipet (from Medak district) Yedapalli, Nizamabad, Kamareddy and Domakonda (from Nizamabad district) and Sircilla, Karimnagar, Sultanabad, Reddapalli, Manthani and Huzurbad (from Karimnagar district)

(equivalent to 3 districts)

2. Bihar
   Bhagalpur, Darbhanga, Champaran, Palamau and Santhal Parganas (5)

3. Gujarat
   Panchamahals, Broach and Surendranagar (3)

4. Haryana
   Reorganised Mohindergarh district (comprising Mohindergarh and Rewari sub-division), Bhiwani district (comprising Bhiwani and Dadri sub-division) and one area comprising 8 blocks viz., Hissar block No. 1 and Barwana block (of Hissar Tehsil) Hansi block No. 1 (from Hansi Tehsil) Bahuna block (from Fatehabad Tehsil) Tohana block/tehsil (from Tohana Tehsil) from district Hissar, Jind block (from Jind Tehsil) Uchana block (Narwana Tehsil) from the district of Jind.

   (equivalent to 3 districts)

5. Karnataka
   Raichur, Mysore and Dharwad (3)

6. Kerala
   Alleppey, Cannanore and Malapuram (3)
7. Madhya Pradesh (Six Areas)

**Area-I** (from Eastern Region) comprising blocks viz. Korba, Baloda, Champa, Kota, Masturi and Bilha (Bilaspur) blocks (from Bilaspur district), Bhatapara, Simga, Tilda, Dhariswa (Raipur), Abbanpur and Rajim blocks (from Raipur district)

**Area-II** (from Western Region) comprising blocks viz., Dewas and Tonk Khurad block (from Dwas district), Gulana, Shujalpur and Shajapur locks (from Shajapur district)

**Area-III** (from Northern Region) comprising blocks Morena and Jaura (from Morena district)

**Area-IV** (from Central Region) comprising blocks viz., Bind-Itawa, Khuri-Banda (Binaika), Rahatgarh, Sagar, Sahgarh (Amarmau) (from Sagar district), Vidisha and Gyaraspur (from Vidisha district)

**Area V** (from Western Region-II) comprising blocks viz., Maaheeswar, Barwana (from Khargone district), Ratlam and Jaura (from Ratlam district) mandsaur, Malhargarh and Neemuch (from Mandsaur district)

**Area-VI** (from North Eastern Region) comprising blocks viz., Rewa and Raipur (Garh) (from Rewa district)

(equivalent to 4 districts)

8. Maharashtra Ratnagiri, Aurangabad and Chandrapur (3)

9. Orissa Kalahandi, Mayurbhanj, Dhenkanal, Keonjhar and Koraput (5)

10. Punjab Hoshiaarpur, Sangur and Bhatinda (3)
11. Rajasthan  
Alwar, Jodhpur, Bilwara, Nagaur and Udaipur (5)

12. Tamil Nadu  
Three areas/tracts comprising 33 taluks:

**Area-I**: Comprising 12 taluks (including Sub-Taluks) viz., Ramanathapuram, Mudukulaathur, Sivaganga, Parmakudi, Thiruvadani, Karaikudi and Thirupathur taluks (from Ramanathapuram district) Melur Taluk (from Madurai district) Pudikkottai, Thirumayam, Alangudi and Kulathur Taluks (from Pudikkotai district)

**Area-II**: Comprising 11 taluks, viz., Dharmapur, Palacode, Hosur, Denkanikottah, Krishnagiri, Uthangarai, Harur (from Dharmapuri district) Tirupattur, Vaniyambadi, Vellore, Walajapet (from North Arcot district)

**Area-III**: Comprising 10 taluks viz., Aruppukkottai, Sattur, Virudhungar, Srivilliputtur, Rajapalayam (from West Ramanathapuram district) Thirumangalam, Usilampatti, Nilakottai, Dindigul and Vedasandur (from Madurai district) (equivalent to 3 districts)

13. Uttar Pradesh  
Ballia, Basti, Faizabad, Jhansi and Rae Bareli (5)

14. West Bengal  
Purulia, Midnapur and Nadia (3)

**Total**: 54
### Category ‘C’ Districts (113)

| 2. Bihar | Muzaffarpur, Saran, Nasadah, Gaya, Begusarai and Monghyr | 6 |
| 3. Gujarat | Amreli, Banaskantha, Bhavnagar, Junagadh, Kutch, Mehsana, Sabarkantha | 7 |
4. Haryana
Bhiwani (excluding Hissar block No. 1 and Barwana blocks of Hissar Tehsil), Hansi block No. 1 (from Hansi Tehsil), Bahuna block (from Fatehabad Tehsil), Tohana block (from Tohana Tehsil), Jind (excluding Jind block) and Julana block (from Jind Tehsil) and Uchana block (from Narwana Tehsil), Mohindergarh (excluding Mohindergarh and Rewari subdivisions) (4)

5. Kerala
Trichur and Trivandrum (2)

6. Karnataka
Belgaum, Bijapur, Gulbarga, Hassan, North Kanara, South Kanara and Tumkur (7)

8. Madhya Pradesh
Bastar, Betul, Bilaspur (excluding Korba, Baloda, Champa, Kota, Masturi and Bilha, Bilaspur blocks), Dewas (excluding Dewas and Tonk Khurd blocks) Hoshangabad, Khargone (excluding Maheswar and Barwaha blocks), Mandsaur (excluding Mandsaur, Malahgarh and Neemuch blocks), Morena (excluding Morena and Jaurua blocks) Panna, Raigarh, Raipur (excluding Bhatapare, Simga, Tilda, Dharsiwa (Raipur) Abhanpur and Rajim blocks) Rajnandgaon, Raisen, Shajapur (excluding Gulana, Shujalpur and Shajapur blocks) Ratlam (excluding Ratlam and Jaura blocks), Rewa (excluding Rewa and Raipur (Garh blocks), Sagar excluding Bina-Itawa, Khuri, Banda (Binaika), Rahatgarh, Sagar, Sahgarh (Anarmau) blocks, Vidisha, (excluding Vidisha and Gyarspur blocks) New Sehore. (19)

8. Maharashtra
Bhandara, Bhir, Buldhana, Colaba, Dhulia, Jalgaon, Nanded, Osmanabad, Parbhani and Yeotmal (10)
9. Orissa  --Nil--

10. Punjab  Ferozepur, Gurdaspur And Amritsar (3)

11. Rajasthan  Banswara, Dungarpur, Jalore, Jhunjhunu, Jhalawar, Sikar and Tonk (7)

12. Tamil Nadu  Dharmapuri (excluding Dharmapuri, Palacode, Hosur, Denkanikottah, Krishnagiri, Uthangarai and Haarur talks), Kanyakumari, Madurai (excluding Melur, Tirumangalam, Usilampatti, Nilakottai, Dindigul and Vedasandur taluks), North Arcot (excluding Tirupattur, Vaniyambadi, Vellore, Walajapet taluks), Ramanathapuram (excluding Ramanathapuram, Mudukulathur, Sivaganga, Paramakudi, Thiruvadani, Karaikudi, Thirupathur, Aruppukottai, Sattur, Virudhunagar, Srivilliputtur, Rajapalayam taluks), South Arcot, Thanjavur, Tirchirappalli, Pudukkottai (excluding Pudukkottai, Thirumayam, Alangudi and Kulathur taluks) (9)

13. Uttar Pradesh  Azamgarh, Badaun, Bahraich, Barabanki, Bulandshahr, Deoria, Etah, Etawah, Farukhabad, Ghazipur, Gonda, Hordoi, Mainpuri, Mathura, Morabad, Phillibhit, Pratapgarh, Rampur, Shahjahanpur, Sitapur and Unnao (21)
14. West Bengal

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*NB:* As far as Madhya Pradesh is concerned out of 65 blocks equivalent to six district, 29 blocks are in the districts including in No-Industry Districts.