

# Aspirational Districts:

*“We are living in an era of immense possibilities which in turn creates opportunities. We need to identify existing aspirations in the districts and channelize them to create a ripple effect for transforming Aspirational Districts” - Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India*

A country’s development is not just measured by its economic progress but it is also a function of its human development. India has brought many frameworks and initiatives to mainstream sustainable economic development through mandating the Corporate Social Responsibility Provisions under Companies Act’2013.

There has been a wide gap in the geographical distribution of CSR funds where the funds are concentrated under few states and its districts. A need for more equitable distribution is felt for paying more attention to economically backward parts of the country.

Anchored by Niti Aayog, ‘Transformation of Aspirational Districts’ programme aims to expeditiously improve the socio-economic status of 112 districts from across 28 states. The programmes aims to focus on least developed districts of the country. The programme key focus areas are as below:



These 112 districts have been identified on the basis of transparent criteria. A composite Index comprising challenges faced by the districts in terms of poverty of their citizens, relatively poor health and nutrition, education status and deficient infrastructure.

CSR initiatives in such districts by Corporates/Implementing Agencies shall boost the progress of India’s Social development. The List of Districts is as follows:

**List of 112 Aspirational Districts**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>District</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	Vizianagaram
2		Visakhapatnam
3		Y.S.R. Kadapa
4	Arunachal Pradesh	Namsai
5	Assam	Goalpara
6		Barpeta
7		Hailakandi
8		Baksa
9		Darrang
10		Udalguri
11		Dhubri
12	Bihar	Sitamarhi
13		Araria
14		Purnia
15		Katihar
16		Muzaffarpur
17		Begusarai
18		Khagaria
19		Banka
20		Sheikhpura
21		Aurangabad
22		Gaya
23		Nawada
24	Jamui	
25	Chhattisgarh	Korba
26		Rajnandgaon
27		Mahasamund
28		Kanker
29		Narayanpur
30		Dantewada
31		Bijapur
32		Bastar
33		Kondagaon
34		Sukma
35	Gujarat	Dahod
36		Narmada

37	Haryana	Mewat
38	Himachal Pradesh	Chamba
39	Jammu & Kashmir	Kupwara
40		Baramulla
41	Jharkhand	Garhwa
42		Chatra
43		Giridih
44		Godda
45		Sahibganj
46		Pakur
47		Bokaro
48		Lohardaga
49		Purbi Singhbhum
50		Palamu
51		Latehar
52		Hazaribagh
53		Ramgarh
54		Dumka
55		Ranchi
56		Khunti
57		Gumla
58		Simdega
59		Pashchimi Singhbhum
60		Karnataka
61	Yadgir	
62	Kerala	Wayanad
63	Madhya Pradesh	Chhatarpur
64		Damoh
65		Barwani
66		Rajgarh
67		Vidisha
68		Guna
69		Singrauli
70		Khandwa
71	Maharashtra	Nandurbar
72		Washim
73		Gadchiroli
74		Osmanabad
75	Manipur	Chandel
76	Meghalaya	Ribhoi

77	Mizoram	Mamit
78	Nagaland	Kiphire
79	Odisha	Dhenkanal
80		Gajapati
81		Kandhamal
82		Balangir
83		Kalahandi
84		Rayagada
85		Koraput
86		Malkangiri
87		Nabarangpur
88		Nuapada
89	Punjab	Moga
90		Ferozpur
91	Rajasthan	Dholpur
92		Karauli
93		Jaisalmer
94		Sirohi
95		Baran
96	Sikkim	West Sikkim
97	Tamil Nadu	Virudhunagar
98		Ramanathapuram
99	Telangana	Asifabad
100		Bhoopalapally
101		Bhadradri-Kothagudem
102	Tripura	Dhalai
103	Uttar Pradesh	Chitrakoot
104		Fatehpur
105		Bahraich
106		Shrawasti
107		Balrampur
108		Siddharthnagar
109		Chandauli
110		Sonbhadra
111	Uttarakhand	Udham Singh Nagar
112		Haridwar