



UPA Allocates, BJP Abdicates –

Chhattisgarh: Congress's Commitment and Raman Singh Government's Failure

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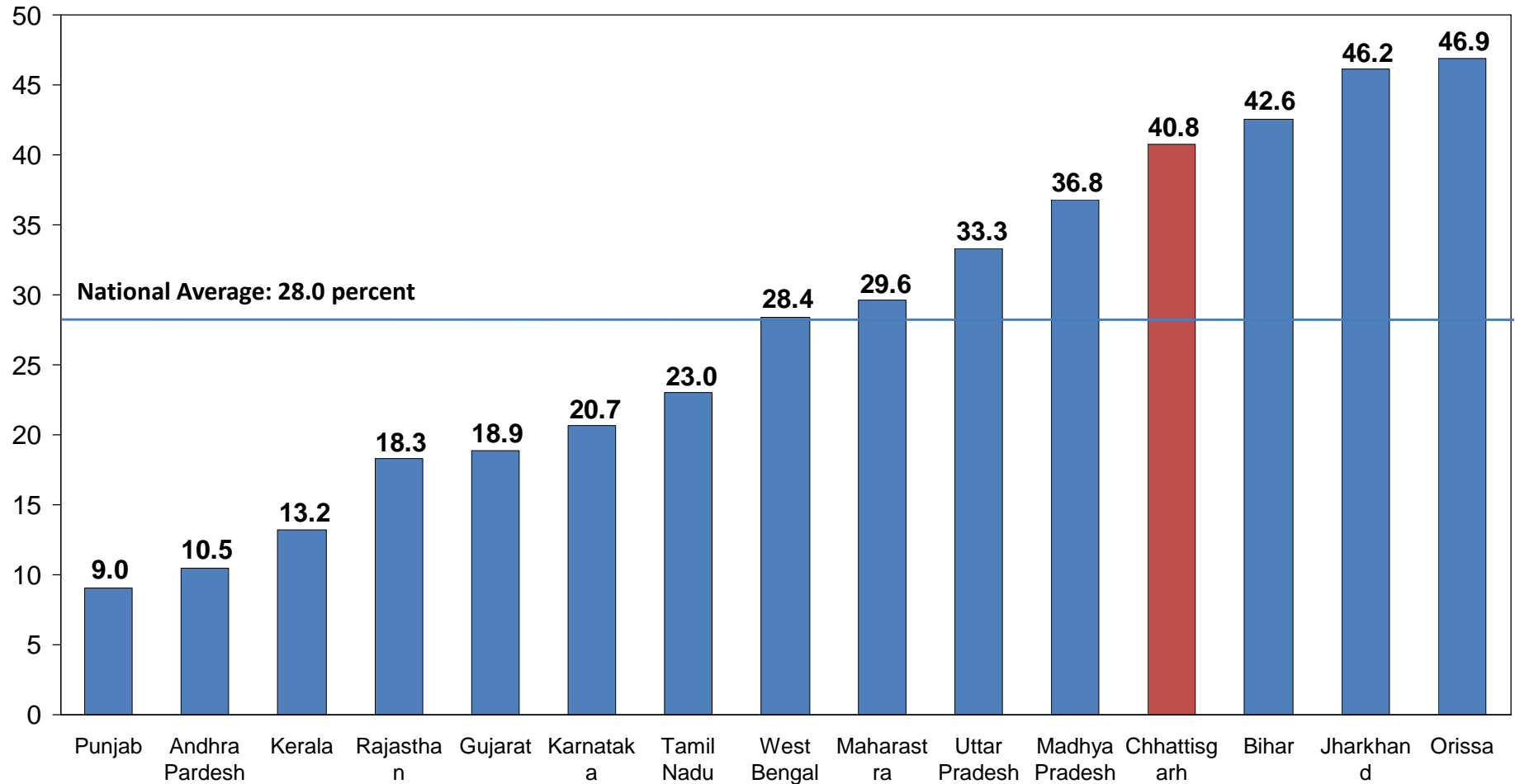
Executive Summary

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Percent of Rural Population Below the Poverty Line, Major Indian States, 2004-05

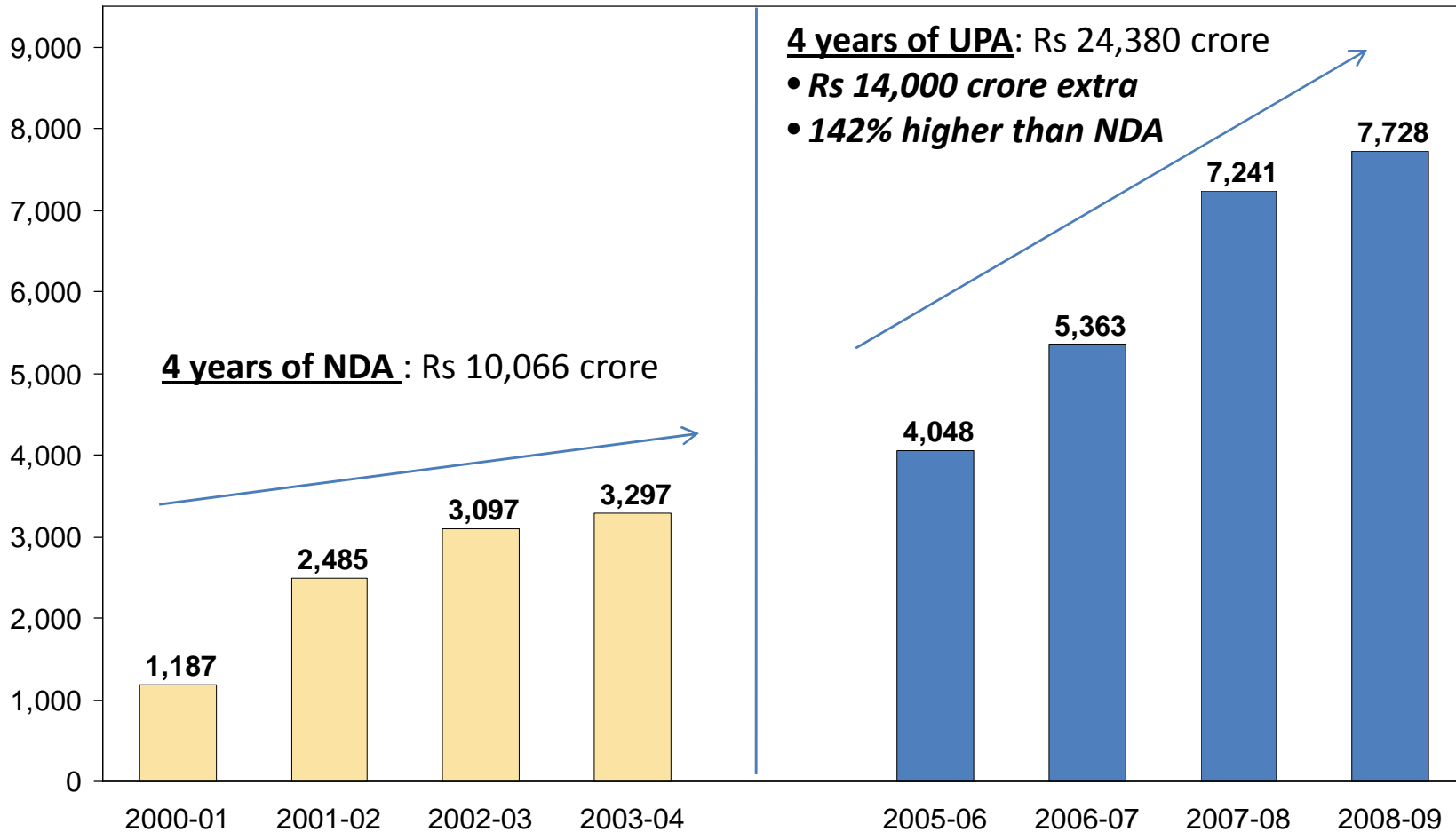


Source: Indian Statistical Institute Study for the MOSPI, GOI; based on NSSO 61st Round Data

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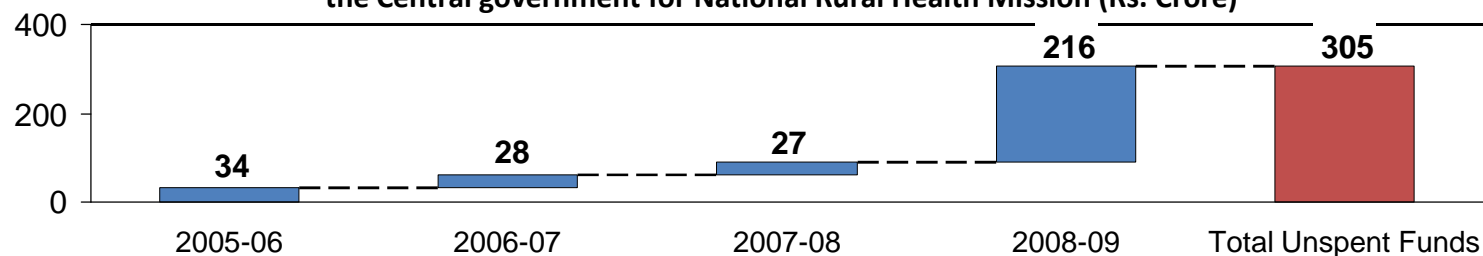
Note: All numbers are Revised Estimates, except 2008-09 which is a Budget Estimate
Source: Reserve Bank of India, "State Finances : A Study of Budgets"

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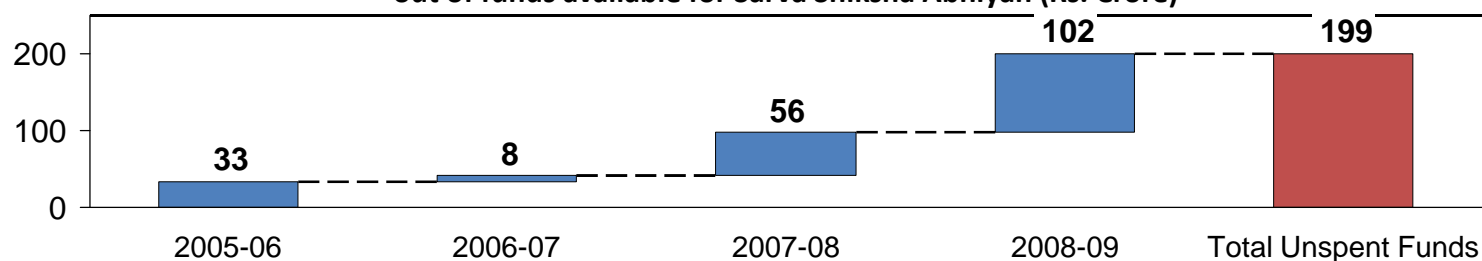
Unspent amount with Chhattisgarh government out of funds released by the Central government for National Rural Health Mission (Rs. Crore)



Source: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

II. EDUCATION

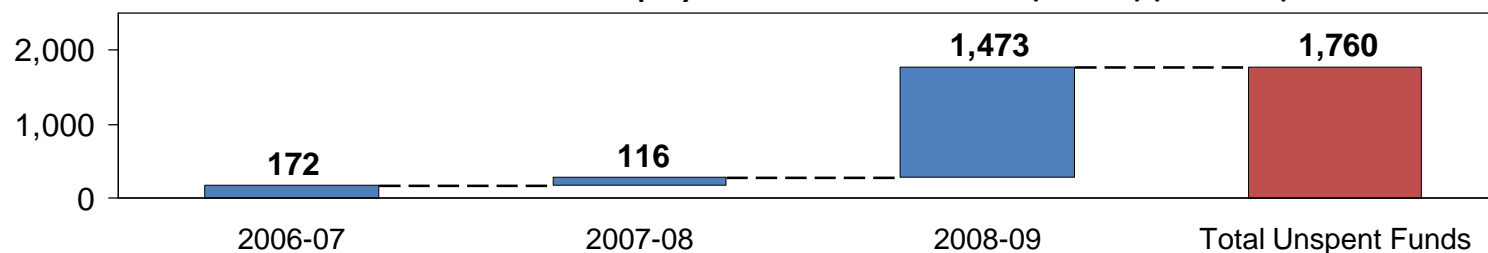
Unspent amount available with Chhattisgarh government out of funds available for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (Rs. Crore)



Source: Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India

III. EMPLOYMENT

Unspent amount with Chhattisgarh government for National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGA) (Rs. Crore)



Source: Ministry of Rural Development

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I. EDUCATION

“Chhattisgarh diverted fund meant for education scheme”

- Hindustan Times, February 23 2009

II. EMPLOYMENT: NATIONAL RURAL EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE ACT (NREGA)

“NREGA Cards in Chhattisgarh not been prepared even after one year”

- Prabhat Khabar, February 2 2007

“Irregularities in NREGA (in Chhattisgarh)”

- The Hindu, June 21 2007

III. OTHERS

“Chhattisgarh taking a novel route to scam?”

- Times of India, September 21 2008

“Human trafficking burst in Chhattisgarh, 400 villagers rescued”

- DNA India, November 16 2007