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**GOVERNMENT CONSTITUTES A COMMITTEE FOR EVOLVING A COMPOSITE
DEVELOPMENT INDEX OF STATES**

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Pursuant to the Budget announcement, it has been decided to constitute an Expert Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr Raghuram G. Rajan, Chief Economic Adviser, Ministry of Finance to consider backwardness of the States in terms of measures like distance of the State from the national average under criteria such as per capita income and other human development indicators and for evolving a Composite Development Index of States. The Committee has been constituted with the approval of the Union Finance Minister Shri P. Chidambaram.

The composition of the Expert Committee will be:-

i.	Dr. Raghuram G. Rajan, Chief Economic Adviser, Ministry of Finance		Chairman
ii.	Shri Shaibal Gupta		Member
iii.	Dr. Bharat Ramaswami		Member
iv.	Shri Najeeb Jung		Member
v.	Dr. Nirija G. Jayal		Member
vi.	Shri Tuhin Pandey		Member

Committee may invite other experts as Special Invitees for deliberations.

Committee would submit its Report within sixty (60) days from the date of its constitution.

The Terms of Reference of the Committee will be issued separately.
