



UPA Proposes, BJD Disposes –

The Failure of the Naveen Patnaik Government in Orissa

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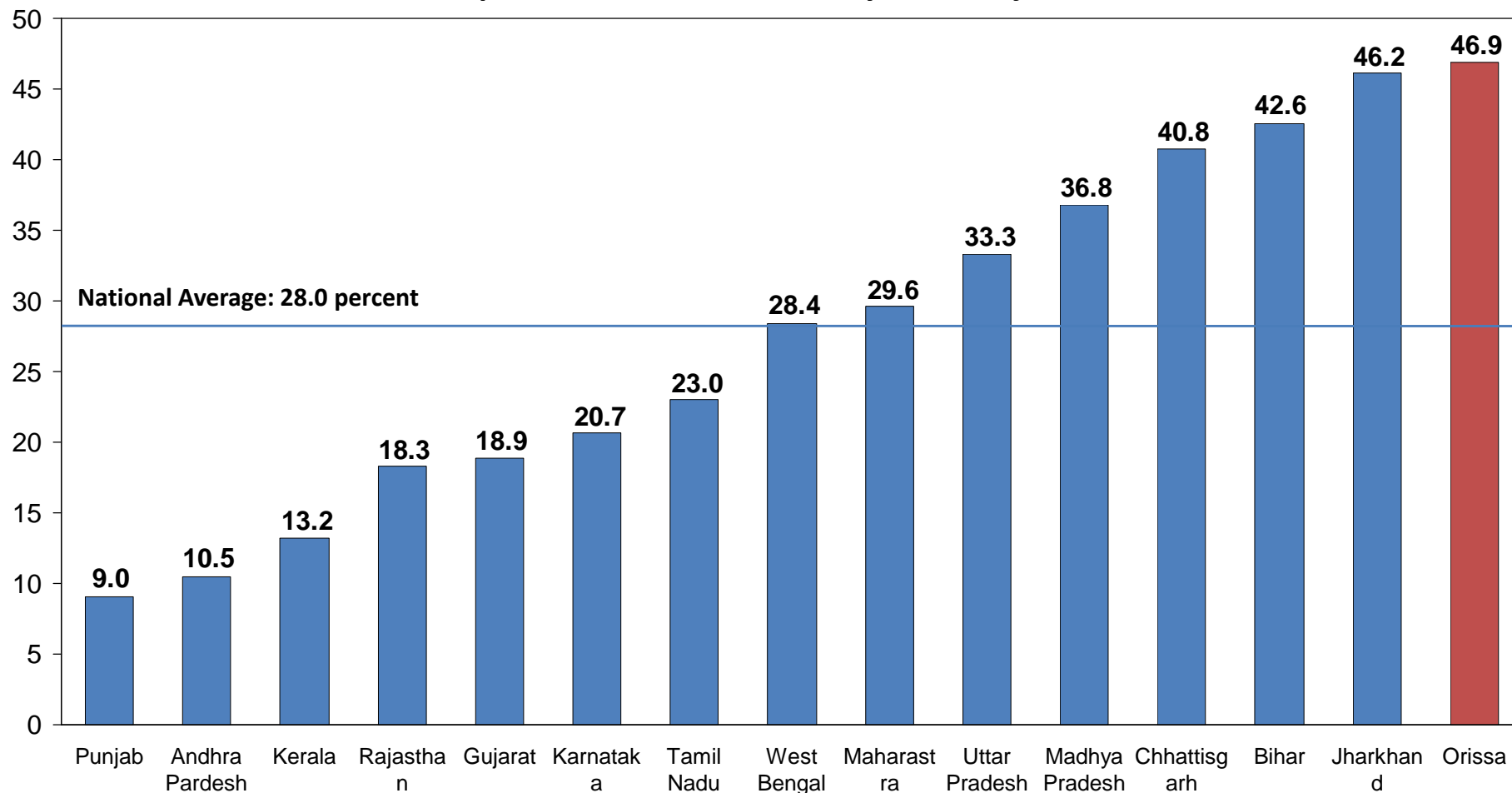
Executive Summary

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2. Keeping this in mind, the Congress-led UPA government substantially increased central funds for Orissa to Rs 58K crore compared to only Rs 33K crore given to Orissa under the NDA (i.e., 73% more)
3. Unfortunately, the Naveen Patnaik government has failed to use these funds effectively; large amounts of central funds given by the Congress-led UPA government have not reached the people of Orissa
4. Instead, the Naveen Patnaik government has diverted the central funds to corrupt activities; as shown by the number of scams under its rule – e.g., the NREGA scam, the health scam, the education scam, etc.



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

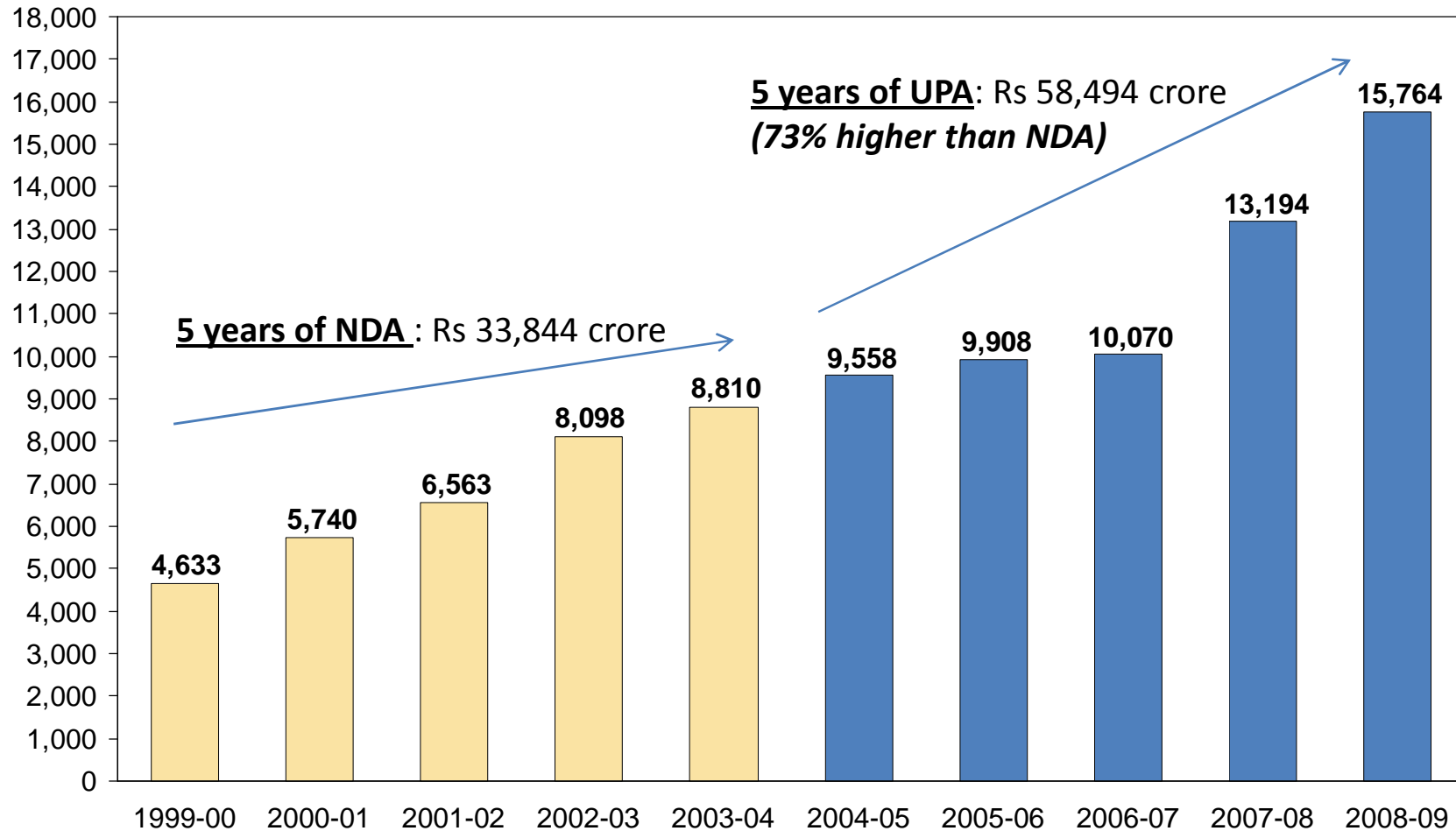


Source: Indian Statistical Institute Study for the MOSPI, GOI; based on NSSO 61st Round Data

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Devolution and Transfer of Resources from the Centre to Orissa (Rs. Crore)



Note: All numbers are Budget Estimates, except 1999-00 which is Accounts and 2000-01 which is Revised Estimate; 2005-06 is approximate budget estimate based on revised to budget estimate ratio of 2003

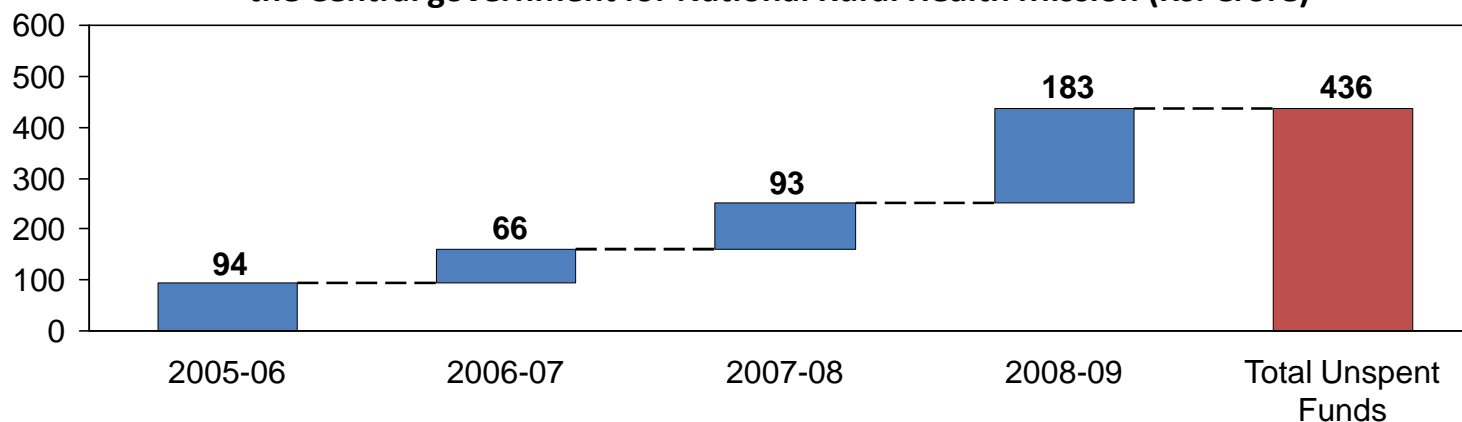
Source: Reserve Bank of India, "State Finances : A Study of Budgets"

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I. HEALTH

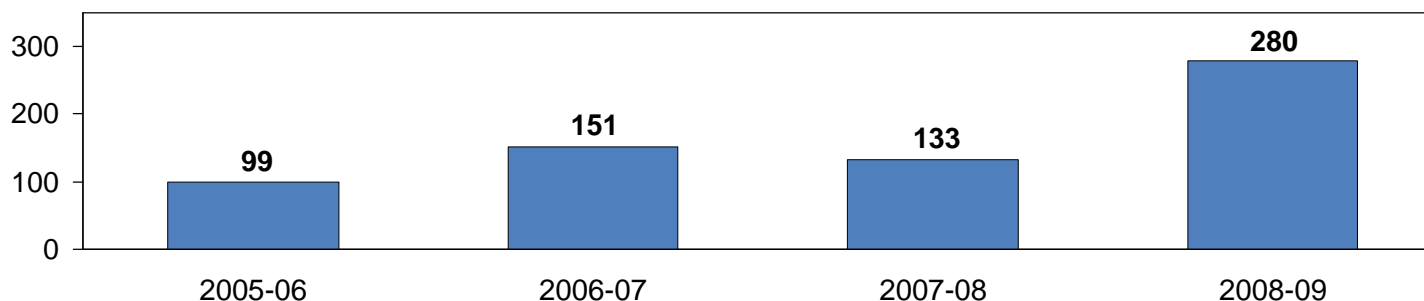
Unspent amount available with Orissa government out of funds released by the Central government for National Rural Health Mission (Rs. Crore)



Source: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

II. EDUCATION

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



Source: Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India

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

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II. HEALTH

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III. EDUCATION

“Now, marksheets scam rocks Patnaik government in Orissa”

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