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Priority question for written answer P-004151/25
to the Commission
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Subject: Implementation of RESTORE

The RESTORE proposal was a major discussion point in conciliation last year. As a result, we would like to have a clear picture of the extent to which this mechanism has been used and how much has been disbursed to those Member States that decided to use it to rebuild areas hit by natural disasters in 2024.

In light of the above:

1. Could the Commission provide a summary of payments made under RESTORE?

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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Fitto on behalf of the European Commission
(13 November 2025)

Regional Emergency Support to Reconstruction (RESTORE ⁽¹⁾) allows Member States affected by climate-related disasters to repair damaged infrastructure and equipment, provide food and basic material assistance, and temporarily support healthcare measures and short-time work schemes.

To enable a swift response, up to 10% of the European Regional Development Fund ⁽²⁾ and the European Social Fund Plus ⁽³⁾ for the 2021-2027 programming period can be redirected to deliver on these objectives.

A pre-financing rate of 25% helps Member States accelerate support to those affected. Member States can also benefit from a 95% co-financing rate for measures that help them recover from climate-related disasters.

19 cohesion policy programmes from five Member States have reallocated EUR 1.8 billion of cohesion policy funds to RESTORE ⁽⁴⁾, resulting in EUR 455.9 million pre-financing. A further EUR 120 million in programme allocations to RESTORE is in the pipeline ⁽⁵⁾ and expected to be adopted in the coming months.

To date, support under RESTORE includes water and transport infrastructure, flood and land management, energy efficiency in public buildings, as well as healthcare, education and social inclusion facilities. This variety reflects how RESTORE addresses both urgent recovery needs and longer-term resilience following natural disasters.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) 2024/3236 amending Regulations (EU) 2021/1057 and (EU) 2021/1058 as regards Regional Emergency Support to Reconstruction (RESTORE).

⁽²⁾ Regulation (EU) 2021/1058 on the European Regional Development Fund and on the Cohesion Fund.

⁽³⁾ Regulation (EU) 2021/1057 establishing the European Social Fund Plus (ESF+).

⁽⁴⁾ ES EUR 829 million, FR EUR 320 million, IT EUR 35 million, PL EUR 605 million, RO EUR 34 million.

⁽⁵⁾ ES EUR 27 million, PT EUR 92 million.