

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3148
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.03.2022

INCREASE IN AMOUNT OF VARIOUS PENSION SCHEMES

3148 SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to make any increase in the amount disbursed to the beneficiaries of old age pension, disabilities pension and destitute women pension;
- (b) the State-wise details of registered pensioners including State of Bihar; and
- (c) whether the amount of pension is uniform in all the States?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

- (a) Under National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP), monthly central assistance at the rate of Rs. 300/- per month to widows in the age group of 40 to 79 years and divyangjan in the age group of 18-79 years and Rs. 200/- per month to old age persons in the age group of 60 to 79 years belonging to Below Poverty Line (BPL) households is being paid. The amount of central assistance is increase to Rs. 500/- per month in respect of these beneficiaries on attaining the age of 80 years and above. There is no proposal to increase the central assistance under NSAP.
- (b) The State-wise details of beneficiaries under NSAP Schemes including State of Bihar is at **Annexure**.
- (c) The rate of central assistance under the pension schemes of NSAP is uniform in all State/UTs. However, the States/UTs are encouraged to provide top-ups over and above the central assistance under NSAP.

**Annexure referred in reply of Part (b) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No 3148 for reply on
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**State-wise details of beneficiaries under pension schemes of National Social Assistance Programme
(NSAP)**

Year – 2021-22		Number of beneficiaries under pension schemes of NSAP		
Sl. No.	States/UTs	Old Age Pension Scheme	Widow Pension Scheme	Divyangjan / Disability Pension Scheme
1	Andhra Pradesh	662641	245607	24413
2	Bihar	2996472	634695	126156
3	Chhattisgarh	644429	260625	32085
4	Goa	13059	8160	468
5	Gujarat	580706	218395	33537
6	Haryana	258583	57149	11537
7	Himachal Pradesh	98368	17979	3125
8	Jharkhand	993567	272108	31286
9	Karnataka	966595	465363	43639
10	Kerala	449158	209236	29935
11	Madhya Pradesh	1569627	536412	99924
12	Maharashtra	1350000	100000	50000
13	Odisha	1418631	528570	90754
14	Punjab	201039	42187	6473
15	Rajasthan	799636	278712	56854
16	Tamilnadu	1237809	549084	79316
17	Telangana	473575	175530	17448
18	Uttar Pradesh	4345014	991784	182823
19	Uttarakhand	239498	95313	14386
20	West Bengal	1423192	644590	86750
NE States				
21	Arunachal Pradesh	29290	3565	1284
22	Assam	707927	137463	18916
23	Manipur	56045	8043	1007
24	Meghalaya	77980	8498	969
25	Mizoram	25251	1925	400
26	Nagaland	44530	3720	960
27	Sikkim	16418	1614	817
28	Tripura	141510	17927	2144
Union Territories				
29	A&N Islands	5924	1504	301
30	Chandigarh	5111	942	204
31	D&N Haveli and D&D	8898	1858	320
32	NCT Delhi	119403	36361	6321
33	J&K	132837	7891	2426
34	Ladakh	6488	443	363
35	Lakshadweep	569	285	51
36	Puducherry	17713	9785	1259
	GRAND TOTAL	22117493	6573323	1058651