GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 877 ANSWERED ON 14/12/2022

PANCHAYAT DEVELOPMENT INDEX

877 SHRI MOHAMMED NADIMUL HAQUE:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) the various indicators used for the formulation of the Panchayat Development Index in Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) the States which are working on the Panchayat Development Index and their details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government has laid out any mechanisms for the strengthening of the Panchayats in the country, if so, details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ

(SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL)

- (a) and (b) Committee has been constituted for Preparation of Panchayat Development Index (PDI) which includes members from different ministries/departments of Govt. of India and State Governments Local Indicators Framework on 9 themes of Localization of Sustainable Development Goals has been prepared for developing the measures of Panchayat Development Index and other SDGs progress. No State/ UT including Jammu & Kashmir specific local indicators are developed for formulation of PDI.
- (c) The Ministry has been implementing scheme for capacitating elected representatives and functionaries of Panchayati Raj Institutions. Government has approved revamped Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan for implementation from 2022-23 to 2025-26 with the focus on Capacity Building and Training of elected representatives and functionaries to strengthen Panchayati Raj Institutions.