## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 715 ANSWERED ON 26.07.2023

## Progress of Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram

## 715. DR. AMAR PATNAIK:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated and utilized under the scheme Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PM-JVK) during last five years, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) the year-wise details of the projects sanctioned in Odisha under the PM-JVK during last five years and the Status thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that nearly 58,456 infrastructural projects proposed under the scheme have been scrapped between April to December, 2022 as observed by Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation in its 'Twenty Point Progress Report for the period, since they never took off after being proposed; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

## ANSWER THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) The Government implements various schemes for the welfare and upliftment of every strata, including minorities, specially the economically weaker and lesser privileged sections of the society, through various schemes of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Ministry of Textiles, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Women and Child Development and Ministry of Rural Development. Ministry of Minority Affairs specifically implements various schemes across the country for socio-economic and educational empowerment of the six (6) Centrally notified minority communities.

Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS), is an area development programme under which community infrastructure and basic amenities are being created in the identified areas. The scheme is being implemented under the aegis of the

State Governments/ Union Territory (UT) Administrations on a fund sharing pattern and the projects are implemented and managed by the concerned State/ UT Government. The infrastructure built up under the scheme is for the benefit of all people living in the area. The scheme has been approved with effect from financial year 2022-23 with the revised guidelines, for implementation in all districts of the country during the period of 15th Finance Commission Cycle. The year-wise and state-wise details of funds released under PMJVK during the last five years are available on the website of the Ministry www.minorityaffairs.gov.in.

(b) During last five years under the scheme, 21 Hostels in the year 2018-19 at a cost of Rs.55.50 crore and 2 Community Service Centres in the year 2019-20 at a cost of Rs.2.80 crore were sanctioned for the State of Odisha. The total approved central share of Rs.33.30 crore for the 21 Hostels and Rs.0.50 crore out of total central share of Rs.1.68 crore for the 2 CSCs have been released.

As per the revised PMJVK guidelines, approval of new projects and release of funds has been linked to the progress of implementation of projects already approved in the States, pace of expenditure, pending Utilisation Certificates (UCs), unspent balance available with the State Governments and geo-tagging of PMJVK assets. As per the information received from the State of Odisha from time to time, the State has an unspent balance of Rs.37.59 crore and pending UCs of Central share of Rs.23.73 crore against the expenditure reported by the State under PMJVK. The State has also not started geo-tagging of PMJVK assets.

(c) & (d) A detailed review of projects already sanctioned in the States/ UTs under PMJVK was undertaken in the Ministry during the year 2022-23 and 58,465 units approved under the scheme from the year 2008-09 to 2018-19 in all the States/ UTs, which were not started by the States/ Union Territories (UTs) and had become unviable, were cancelled/ dropped by the Ministry. The States have been advised to utilise the amount of Central share already released for those unviable units, on other ongoing projects under PMJVK, thereby ensuring that the funds released by the Centre for the closed projects are optimally utilised for projects which are under progress.