

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
RAJYA SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. *16

ANSWERED ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 05, 2023 /14 AGRAHAYANA, 1945 (SAKA)

CHARGING CUSTOMER FOR INSURANCE PREMIUM

***16. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:**

Will the Minister of **FINANCE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that several Banks across the country have been charging customers for the Union Government's multiple insurance and pension schemes without their consent;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and Government's response thereto;
- (c) the amount of insurance premium collected by the banks for the accidental insurance coverage since last three years indicating the amount spent by Government as a social security to the account holders; and
- (d) the amount disbursed to the families as accidental insurance claim during last three years?

ANSWER

FINANCE MINISTER
(Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *16 ANSWERED ON 05th DECEMBER, 2023 BY SHRI SANJAY RAUT REGARDING “CHARGING CUSTOMER FOR INSURANCE PREMIUM”

(a) & (b):

The Union Government's multiple insurance and pension schemes are consent driven and premium is debited after mandate is given by customer.

(c) & (d): Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) provides an affordable accidental insurance cover for the poor and underprivileged sections of the society. It is the endeavor of the Government to provide low cost accidental insurance of Rs 2 lakh to all individuals in the age group of 18-70 years at a very low premium amount of Rs 20 per annum.

The Premium amount is collected by banks on behalf of insurance companies and the entire premium amount is borne by the customer. Details of premium collected and accidental insurance claim amount disbursed for PMSBY during last three financial years is as under:

Scheme Name - PMSBY		
<i>in crores</i>		
FY	Premium Amount	Claim Amount Disbursed
2020-21	212.35	276.90
2021-22	262.15	313.66
2022-23	498.06	374.05

Source: Premium Amount: IRDAI

Claim Amount Disbursed: Insurance companies
