# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE

# RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1032

TO BE ANSWERED ON TUESDAY, December 12, 2023/21 Agrahayana, 1945 (Saka)

### SPECIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO GOA

1032. SHRI SADANAND SHET TANAWDE

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has released the special assistance of ₹ 300 crores to the Government of Goa as per the budget assurance of the year 2020-2021;
- (b) the details of the amount disbursed to Government of Goa including the department through which such assistance was released; and
- (c) whether the entire amount is released, if not, the reasons for not releasing the same?

#### ANSWER

# THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FINANCE (SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY)

- (a) & (b): The Union Government had approved an amount of ₹ 300 crore as Grant-in-Aid to the State of Goa for the '60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Liberation of Goa'. Out of this, an amount of ₹150 crore was released on 01.10.2021 to the State Government of Goa by the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance from Demand No. 40 'Transfers to States'.
- (c): The release of financial assistance to the State of Goa towards the '60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Liberation of Goa' is based on utilization of the amount released in the 1<sup>st</sup> installment and recommendations of the NITI Aayog. No recommendation has been received from the NITI Aayog so far for release of the balance amount of ₹150 crore to the State of Goa.

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