

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1194
ANSWERED ON: 13.12.2023

GRANTS RELEASED TO KARNATAKA

1194: SHRI G.C. CHANDRASHEKHAR:

Will the Minister of Panchayati Raj be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Grants released to Karnataka under various schemes of the Ministry during the last three years;
- (b) whether the said Grants were released on time during the said period;
- (c) if so, the scheme-wise and year-wise details of the Grants released so far; and
- (d) the scheme-wise details of utilization of Grant/expenditure?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ

(SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL)

(a) to (c) The scheme-wise and years-wise grants released by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj under the schemes of (i) Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA), (ii) Incentivization of Panchayats (IoP) and (iii) SVAMITVA (Survey of Villages And Mapping with Improved Technology in Village Areas) to the State of Karnataka during the last three years i.e 2020-21 to 2022-23 is as under:

(In Crores of Rupees)

Year	RGSA	IoP	SVAMITVA
2020-21	0.44	0.10	0.70
2021-22	29.15	1.87	0.00
2022-23	36.00*	2.67	0.00
Total	65.59	4.64	0.7

* Unspent balance of 35.45 crore as on 31st March 2023.

The release of grants under the RGSA Scheme is based on timely receipt and approval of annual action plan from the State, contribution of matching State share and utilization certificates of the previous grants. The release of grants under IoP Scheme is contingent upon timely receipt of utilization certificates of the previous grants. Generally, grants were released on time.

(d) The grants under RGSA had been released/utilised primarily for capacity building and training of elected representatives of the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and their functionaries and also for infrastructure like Gram Panchayat Bhawan, computers and peripherals. The grants under IoP scheme has been utilised as financial incentives to the best performing Panchayats in recognition of their good work for improving delivery of services and public goods selected under the National Panchayat Award competitions. Grant under SVAMITVA is meant for IEC (Information, Education and Communication) activities for creation of awareness for popularisation of the scheme and setting up of State Project Management Unit (SPMU).