

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2212
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09/08/2024

EXPENDITURE UNDER NSAP

2212 SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of beneficiaries under National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) in each of the components, State-wise;
- (b) the total amount spent by Government on NSAP since 2019, year-wise;
- (c) whether it is a fact that Government is spending minuscule amounts on persons in dire need of NSAP pensions;
- (d) if so, whether Government plans to revise the scheme to increase the number of beneficiaries and also the rate of pension; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor and the proportion of GDP spent on NSAP?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI KAMLESH PASWAN)

(a): State-wise and scheme-wise details of beneficiaries under National Social Assistance Programme- NSAP (number of digitized beneficiaries or the State/UT cap, whichever is lower) are given at **Annexure-I**.

(b): Year-wise total amount spent by the Government under NSAP since 2019 is given at **Annexure-II**.

(c): NSAP aims at providing a basic financial support to vulnerable sections of the society such as old aged, widow and severely disabled persons from BPL category, as a social security assistance. The Government has earmarked Rs.47,808.31 crore for implementation of five schemes, including three pension schemes, under National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) to cater to 3.09 crore beneficiaries during 2021-26. As per the guidelines of NSAP, the State/UTs are encouraged to provide top up amounts of at least an equivalent amount to the assistance provided by the Central Govt. so that the beneficiaries could get a decent level of assistance. At present, the States/UTs are adding top up amounts ranging from Rs.50 to Rs.3200 per month per beneficiaries under NSAP schemes, resulting in an average monthly pension of around Rs.1,000/- in most of the States/UTs.

(d) & (e): NSAP is a flagship scheme of Ministry of Rural Development. The Government, while considering the continuation of National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) schemes for the 15th Finance Commission cycle (2021-26), had considered the revision in beneficiary coverage and rate of assistance under the schemes. However, considering the available financial space, the Government has approved continuation of NSAP schemes in its present form. At present, there is no proposal under consideration to revise the coverage/rate of assistance under NSAP. During 2023-24, the budget outlay of the Ministry was Rs.1.57 lakh crore (Rs.9,636.32 crore for NSAP), which was approximately 0.52 % of the GDP.

Annexure referred to in part (a) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2212 to be answered on 09.08.2024 regarding EXPENDITURE UNDER NSAP

Annexure-I

State-wise and scheme-wise details of beneficiaries under National Social Assistance Programme

Sl. No	State/UT	Number of beneficiaries for the FY 2024-25					
		IGNOAPS	IGNWPS	IGNDPS	NFBS	Annapurna	TOTAL
1	Andhra Pradesh	663736	246832	24412	10906	54354	1000240
2	Bihar	3157256	634221	127100	35859	166600	4121036
3	Chhattisgarh	644429	203628	32085	12801	24196	917139
4	Goa	7308	5886	466	225	420	14305
5	Gujarat	620548	276078	20327	10695	35377	963025
6	Haryana	259865	70808	16583	4154	NI	351410
7	Himachal Pradesh	93178	21974	853	684	2644	119333
8	Jharkhand	918249	254520	25530	14148	54939	1267386
9	Karnataka	707058	380886	36815	18312	NI	1143071
10	Kerala	449160	320715	29791	4358	36904	840928
11	Madhya Pradesh	1575079	546920	101470	30826	NI	2254295
12	Maharashtra	1091944	80725	9322	34987	108000	1324978
13	Odisha	1407189	521410	89379	24697	64800	2107475
14	Punjab	102698	18971	5815	2673	NI	130157
15	Rajasthan	823972	315048	23950	12347	47500	1222817
16	Tamil Nadu	1282468	506716	55358	18445	66388	1929375
17	Telangana	480315	180720	20578	7794	38846	728253
18	Uttar Pradesh	4722613	1025236	85773	73075	NI	5906697
19	Uttarakhand	204557	23898	2880	4808	NI	236143
20	West Bengal	1230862	726172	54610	21553	65068	2098265
NE States							
21	Arunachal Pradesh	5893	288	112	346	1840	8479
22	Assam	635304	115007	33226	8524	25308	817369
23	Manipur	53684	7075	905	669	3320	65653
24	Meghalaya	54380	8024	1558	781	3580	68323
25	Mizoram	24524	2278	722	197	1000	28721
26	Nagaland	45941	3827	1011	535	2600	53914
27	Sikkim	16928	1469	457	175	960	19989
28	Tripura	126461	17231	2030	984	5740	152446
Union Territories							
29	A&N Islands	581	3	2	86	560	1232
30	Chandigarh	2378	2486	100	80	440	5484
31	D&N Haveli and D&D	8754	2109	310	119	358	11650
32	NCT Delhi	107834	36361	4539	2270	8040	159044
33	J&K	106697	6445	2077	323	10220	115542
34	Ladakh	6486	443	219	112	7260	14520
35	Lakshadweep	120	75	51	9	60	315
36	Puducherry	17713	9821	1271	283	1580	30668
	Total	21656162	6574306	811687	358840	838902	30229677

(NI-Not implementing)

Source: NSAP-PPS

Annexure referred to in part (b) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2212 to be answered on 09.08.2024 regarding EXPENDITURE UNDER NSAP

Annexure-II

Year-wise total amount spent by the Government under NSAP

Financial Year	Expenditure (in Rs. crore)
2019-20	8692.40
2020-21	8686.60
2021-22	8152.22
2022-23	9652.00
2023-24	9491.11
