GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3074 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2017

FUNDS TO PANCHAYATS

†3074. SHRI RAM SWAROOP SHARMA:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds provided to Panchayats across the country during 2015-16, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the allocation of funds to Panchayats in Himachal Pradesh during 2017-18;
- (c) whether any monitoring committee has been set up to monitor the utilisation of funds, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the provisions regarding allocation of funds to the Panchayats?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) : Under the Fourteenth Finance Commission(FFC) award for the period 2015-20, grants are devolved to Gram Panchayats constituted under Part IX of the Constitution in 26 States. The Statewise total allocation and release of grants to the Panchayats during 2015-16 under Fourteenth Finance Commission Grant are given at Annexure-I. Details of funds released to Panchayats by the Union Territories administrations of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Chandigarh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, Lakshadweep and Puducherry during 2015-16 are at Annexure-II.

(b): Rs. 352.76 crore has been allocated to Gram Panchayats (GPs) in Himachal Pradesh under FFC award for the year 2017-18 out of which Rs. 156.30 crore has been released to GPs as first installment so far.

(c) : Ministry of Finance (MoF) guidelines dated 8.10.2015 enjoin upon States to constitute a High Level Monitoring Committee (HLMC) headed by Chief Secretary for monitoring and concurrent evaluation of local bodies and to ensure that funds are utilized for the purpose recommended by the FFC. Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) has constituted a Coordination Committee under the Secretary, Panchayati Raj to inter-alia guide and support States and local bodies in the implementation of FFC recommendations, monitor progress of expenditure of grants by local bodies and suggest remedial measures.

(d): Grants being devolved to Gram Panchayats under FFC award constitutes an assistance of Rs. 488 per capita per annum at an aggregate level. The grants are to be distributed by the State Governments among the Gram Panchayats applying the distribution formula of the latest State Finance Commission (SFC). In case SFC formula is not available, then the share of the Gram Panchayats should be distributed using 2011 population with a weight of 90% for population and a weight of 10% for area.

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Allocation and Release of Local Bodies Grants for PRIs under Fourteenth Finance Commission award for the year 2015-16 (as on 31.7.2017) Rs. in crore)

	Rs. in c			
Sl.	State	2015-16		
No.		Allocation	Release	
1	Andhra Pradesh	934.34	928.41	
2	Arunachal Pradesh	88.52	88.52	
3	Assam	584.80	584.80	
4	Bihar	2269.18	2269.18	
5	Chhattisgarh	566.18	566.18	
6	Goa	14.44	14.44	
7	Gujarat	932.25	932.25	
8	Haryana	419.28	419.28	
9	Himachal Pradesh	195.39	195.39	
10	Jammu & Kashmir	373.96	367.72	
11	Jharkhand	652.83	652.83	
12	Karnataka	1002.85	972.36	
13	Kerala	433.76	433.76	
14	Madhya Pradesh	1463.61	1463.61	
15	Maharashtra	1623.32	1623.32	
16	Manipur	22.25	22.25	
17	Odisha	955.52	955.52	
18	Punjab	441.70	441.70	
19	Rajasthan	1471.95	1471.95	
20	Sikkim	16.03	16.04	
21	Tamil Nadu	947.65	947.65	
22	Telangana	580.34	580.34	
23	Tripura	36.24	36.24	
24	Uttar Pradesh	3862.60	3852.60	
25	Uttarakhand	203.26	203.26	
26	West Bengal	1532.21	1470.86	
	Total	21624.46	21510.46	

Annexure-II

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Funds released to Panchayats of UTs during the year 2015-16

	·	(Rs. in crore)
Sl. No.	Name of UTs	Amount released during 2015-16
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	117.614
2	Chandigarh	2.314
3	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	274.14
4	Daman & Diu	66.74
5	Lakshadweep	63.94
6	Puducherry	0.00
Total		524.748