### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2195 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.03.2018

### **IGNDPS**

#### 2195. SHRI NAND KUMAR SINGH CHOUHAN:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

- (a) whether the percentage of disability is being decreased from 80 to 40 to avail benefits under Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

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# ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) to (c): No Madam. At present there is no proposal to decrease the disability percentage from 80 to 40 under Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS). The disability pension scheme under National Social Assistance Programme, being a welfare scheme, is targeted to extend benefits only to persons belonging to Below Poverty Line (BPL Category) as per laid down criteria in the Guidelines.

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