GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2846 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03 AUGUST, 2018

UNIVERSAL BASIC INCOME PROGRAMME

2846. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to provide Universal Basic Income programme with the objective of avoiding inefficiency and wastage associated with subsidies and poverty alleviation;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the salient features and advantages of Universal Basic Income and the fiscal implications arising out of implementation of Universal Basic Income;

(c) whether the Government has ascertained the views of State/UTs regarding the implementation of Universal Basic Income in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(d) the timeframe by which the Government proposes to implement Universal Basic Income?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (b) No, Madam. The Government does not plan to provide Universal Basic Income Programme.

(c) to (d) Does not arise.
