

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1636
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2018

BENEFICIARIES UNDER PENSION SCHEMES

1636. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:

Will the Minister of **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of beneficiaries including Scheduled Caste people under various pension schemes being run by his Ministry during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to take steps to ensure uniformity in the amount and eligibility criteria followed by the States and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to bring some more changes in these pension schemes and if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken in this regard; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to make pension schemes more inclusive?

ANSWER

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

(a): Ministry of Rural Development administers three pension schemes under National Social Assistance Programme(NSAP). No of beneficiary including Schedule Cast under the three pension schemes, as per latest information available, is provided State/UT wise at Annexed.

(b) to (d): For taking informed decision for revamping the NSAP scheme by way of changes in admissible rates and the criteria, Ministry of Rural Development has initiated steps for comprehensive third-party evaluation of the scheme and further steps for revamping of the scheme are contingent upon availability of recommendations and decisions taken thereon in consultation with the States/UTs.

Annexure referred to in part (a) of the unstarred question no. 1636

NSAP Beneficiary

S.no	State/UTs	Total
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR	620
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	932661
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	5839
4	ASSAM	864275
5	BIHAR	3757276
6	CHANDIGARH	4950
7	CHHATTISGARH	837692
8	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	9700
9	DAMAN & DIU	1376
10	DELHI	142724
11	GOA	2061
12	GUJARAT	745896
13	HARYANA	327269
14	HIMACHAL PRADESH	115821
15	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	143220
16	JHARKHAND	1295933
17	KARNATAKA	1399063
18	KERALA	688329
19	LAKSHADWEEP	344
20	MADHYA PRADESH	2205963
21	MAHARASHTRA	1163161
22	MANIPUR	61306
23	MEGHALAYA	54074
24	MIZORAM	27569
25	NAGALAND	49208
26	ODISHA	2036781
27	PUDUCHERRY	28757
28	PUNJAB	139642
29	RAJASTHAN	1134860
30	SIKKIM	18849
31	TAMIL NADU	1840588
32	TELANGANA	666553
33	TRIPURA	156248
34	UTTARAKHAND	191597
35	UTTAR PRADESH	5279086
36	WEST BENGAL	2154499
	Total	28483790

NSAP-National Social Assistance Programme