

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1047

TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2022

FUNDS TO ALIMCO

1047: SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO) provide appropriate state-of-the-art assistive devices and rehabilitation services that meet the needs of PwDs across the world;

(b) if so, the total expenditure of ALIMCO for supporting artificial limbs by assistive devices for persons with disabilities and the budget support to ALIMCO since, 2017, year-wise; and

(c) whether the amount allocated in current budget for ALIMCO will fulfill the need of the people which has been drastically dip from Rs.50 crore last year to a mere Rs. 0.10 crore this financial year therein and if so, the details thereof ?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SUSHRI PRATIMA BHOUMIK)

(a) Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO), a Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSE) under this Department, provides appropriate state-of-the-art assistive devices and rehabilitation services that meet the needs of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) across the country.

(b) Year wise expenditure of ALIMCO for providing aids & assistive devices for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) and budget support under ‘Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/Fitting of Aids/Appliances (ADIP)’ Scheme of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) to ALIMCO since 2017 is as under:-

(Rs.in crore)

Year	Grant-in-aid released under ADIP Scheme to ALIMCO	Expenditure
2016-17	128.82	111.76
2017-18	166.27	109.68
2018-19	182.47	173.14
2019-20	171.96	162.15
2020-21	156.72	135.92
2021-22	158.05	161.64*

*including unspent balance of previous year.

(c) Under the ADIP Scheme funds are released to various implementing agencies for providing aids & assistive devices to eligible Divyangjan. ALIMCO is one of the major implementing agencies under the Scheme. The budget allocation under the ADIP Scheme for 2022-23 is Rs.235.00 crore. Hence, sufficient funds are available for distribution of aids and assistive devices by ALIMCO and other implementing agencies under the ADIP Scheme during 2022-23.
