GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2083 ANSWERED ON 14/03/2023

SPMRM IN KERALA

2083. ADV. A.M. ARIFF: SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the implementation of several works/projects as envisaged in the DPR of Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission Phase II in many clusters across the country has been abruptly stopped due to the decision of the Government to provide Critical Gap Fund (CGF) only for those works which started before 31.03.2022;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon;
- (c) whether the Union Government has received any representation from State Governments including Kerala for extending the deadline of 31.03.2022 so as to complete all the works/projects envisaged in the DPR and if so, the action taken thereon;
- (d) the details of projects/works envisaged as per the DPR, implemented and pending, amount earmarked and spent under SPMRM in the State of Kerala, cluster-wise;
- (e) whether the Government has analysed the fact that delay in implementation of the development work is due to Covid-19 and natural calamities and if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Union Government will consider the request of the State Government of Kerala to extent the scheme period for Nedumbana Thrikkovilvattom cluster from 31.12.2022 to 30.04.2024 by considering the pandemic and natural calamities; and
- (g) if so, the details of action taken thereon?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) &(b) The Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission was initially launched in 2016 for a period of upto March 2020. 31^{st} March 2022 has been declared as the "sunset date" for the Mission. One-time final sanction has been given by Government of India for release of funds under the Mission upto 15^{th} March, 2023 for those works which were ongoing as on 31.03.2022.

(c) The Ministry of Rural Development has received representations from various States/Union Territories, including State of Kerala, for release of funds and completion of works under the Mission after the announcement of sunset date. The Government of India, after due examination, has given a one-time final sanction for release of funds for works which were ongoing as on 31.03.2022.

(d) Under SPMRM the state of Kerala has been allocated 13 clusters in three phases with the total investment of Rs 1626.18 crore, which includes funding of Rs 360.0 crores from Critical Gap Fund (CGF) and Rs 1266.18 crores from convergence of Central sector schemes,

centrally sponsored schemes, state schemes, etc. Over all, an expenditure of Rs. 919.41 crores incurred in all the 12 clusters as on 01.03.2023. The total fund released to the State of Kerala as Critical Gap Fund is Rs. 221.67 crores against which Rs.207.45 crores have been spent. The details of physical and financial progress of the clusters under SPMRM in the state of Kerala are as per the MIS is placed at Annexure-1.

(e) Under the Mission, clusters were allocated in 3 phases to the State of Kerala. Thereafter, Integrated Cluster Action Plan (ICAP) was approved and Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) were made after which actual execution of works started. The ICAPs for 12 clusters of Kerala were approved by 2019 and the State started making DPRs for actual execution of work. While Covid-19 did affect the pace of work, the States/Union Territories continued to carry out work under the Mission, even during the pandemic period.

(f) and (g) The sunset date has already been declared for the scheme and the last date for release of funds is 15^{th} March, 2023. There is no proposal to extend the timeline for completion for any cluster under the Mission.

Details of cluster-wise Physical and Financial progress under SPMRM in the state of Kerala as on 01.03.2023

S.No.	Cluster	District	Investment Approved (in Rs. Crore)			Expendi- ture	No. of works		
			CGF	Conver gence	Total	against invest- ment approved (in Rs. Crore)	Propo- sed	On- going	Comp leted
1	Chembilode-peralassery Cluster	Kannur	30	81.97	111.97	70.17	149	11	87
2	EdappalVattamkulam Cluster	Malappuram	30	122.86	152.86	61.81	173	37	90
3	Kanjikuzhy - Mararikulam North	Alappuzha	30	86.61	116.61	50.05	230	26	161
4	Mangattidom - Kottayam Cluster	Kannur	30	95.91	125.91	103.72	256	2	249
5	Nedumpana - Thrikkovilvattom Cluster	Kollam	30	94.01	124.01	36.67	117	36	41
6	Pinarayi - Vengad Cluster	Kannur	30	74.39	104.39	36.50	241	50	47
7	PunnayoorkulamVadakkek kadRurban Cluster	Thrissur	30	105.48	135.48	40.5	137	55	53
8	Puthenvelikkara - Kunnukara Cluster	Ernakulam	30	172.8	202.8	195.07	171	7	156
9	Puthucode- kavasseryRurban Cluster	Palakkad	30	98.19	128.19	42.94	186	9	88
10	Puthuppally - Manarcad Cluster	Kottayam	30	108.67	138.67	109.77	186	6	169
11	Tanalur - Niramaruthoor Cluster	Malappuram	30	100.47	130.47	52.19	112	37	48
12	Vellanad - Aryanad Cluster	Thiruvanantha puram	30	124.82	154.82	120.33	428	30	312
Total			360	1,266.18	1,626.18	919.76	2386	306	1571

Note- The ICAP for Thirunelly cluster, Wy anad district has not been approved. \$*****\$