## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

## LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2294 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2023

## BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR DISABLED COMMUNITY

2294. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL

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

- (a) Whether the disabled community is reportedly being neglected in the 2023-24 Union Budget and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) whether the budget allocation for the said community has seen only one percent increase as compared to last year and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto along with the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the amount allocated for the community in the 2022-23 financial year was underutilized by Rs. 196.00 crore and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT (SUSHRI PRATIMA BHOUMIK)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) The Budget allocation for the Department in 2022-23 financial year was Rs. 1212.42 crore whereas the Revised allocation in 2022-23 is Rs. 1015.98 crore. The Department is making all efforts to utilize the funds allocated for the financial year 2022-23.

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