GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4436 ANSWERED ON 28/03/2023

SOCIAL AUDIT UNDER MGNREGS

4436. SHRI KARTI P. CHIDAMBARAM:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total planned social audits completed under MGNREGS during each of the last five financial years and the current year;
- (b) the total funds that the State Social Audit Units are entitled and received during the said period, State and year-wise;
- (c) whether it is a fact that Social Audit Units of some States have not received administrative funds or have experienced delays in receiving funds from the Union Government to carry out the Social Audits;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether it is a fact that due to delay in disbursement of funds by the Union Government, State Governments are unable to pay salaries of auditors which has resulted in high attrition rates among them?

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

(a) Financial year-wise Social Audit planned and completed under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS) in last five financial years from 2017-18 to 2021-22 and the current financial year 2022-23 (as on 23.03.2023) is given below:

Financial Year	Number of Gram Panchayats planned for Social Audit at least once in financial year	-
2017-18	6,95,00	520
2018-19	1,32,086	1,19,053
2019-20	1,87,568	1,61,863
2020-21	79,333	35,580
2021-22	2,04,685	1,34,916
2022-23	2,39,001	1,59,646

Further, in the financial year 2020-21 during the Covid-19 pandemic, Concurrent Social Audit was conducted wherever due to Covid-19 protocol regular Social Audit could not be conducted.

Financial Number of Concurrent Audit Year planned		Number of Concurrent Audit conducted			
2020-2021	5,04,452	4,30,061			

- (b) Social Audit Unit is entitled to receive 0.5% of the total expenditure on wage and material in the State/UT during the previous financial year. State/UT wise and financial year-wise total fund released under Social Audit Unit in last five financial years from 2017-18 to 2021-22 and the current year 2022-23 (as on 23.03.2023) is given at **Annexure.**
- (c) to (f) Release of funds to Social Audit Units is a continuous process. Social Audit Units submit fund release proposal to Government of India. Funds under Social Audit is released after receipt of necessary documents along with the required undertaking and compliance of other conditions for financial management.

Annexure referred in reply to part (b) Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4436 dated 28.03.2023.

State/UT-wise and financial year-wise total fund released under Social Audit Unit in last five financial years from 2017-18 to 2021-22 and the current financial year 2022-23 (as on 23.03.2023).

(Rs. in lakh)

	(Rs. in							
SI. No.	State/UT	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	
1	Andhra Pradesh	1184.92	3004.74	1917.00	0.00	1313.65	1911.64	
2	Arunachal Pradesh	37.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
3	Assam	368.02	0.00	308.29	177.41	305.66	292.87	
4	Bihar	543.68	0.00	736.66	0.00	0.00	778.54	
5	Chhattisgarh	1269.12	703.10	760.85	1390.98	0.00	1338.69	
6	Gujarat	183.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
7	Haryana	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.17	105.48	0.00	
8	Himachal Pradesh	140.02	160.71	402.73	167.86	59.27	534.94	
9	Jammu & Kashmir	0.00	0.00	203.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	
10	Jharkhand	811.74	823.84	354.95	603.46	404.65	427.13	
11	Karnataka	816.00	950.79	930.15	894.32	681.41	755.18	
12	Kerala	418.37	0.00	730.37	0.00	292.21	1400.20	
13	Madhya Pradesh	880.57	2223.80	1183.26	0.00	0.00	963.52	
14	Maharashtra	521.60	455.21	596.07	442.39	0.00	0.00	
15	Manipur	74.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
16	Meghalaya	364.45	311.10	164.00	255.17	166.12	184.22	
17	Mizoram	74.32	48.48	118.62	122.28	135.73	142.83	
18	Nagaland	245.74	237.22	68.15	90.57	110.43	154.76	
19	Odisha	532.20	597.38	557.83	663.54	713.02	736.64	
20	Punjab	245.37	144.96	158.01	151.05	160.32	0.00	
21	Rajasthan	0.00	0.00	1351.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	
22	Sikkim	64.98	19.16	24.23	19.76	12.68	15.16	
23	Tamil Nadu	2478.20	3027.38	1202.74	667.41	1022.89	3690.18	
24	Telangana	886.54	1277.14	753.37	1084.80	1090.10	982.85	
25	Tripura	300.43	208.74	252.07	0.00	125.98	256.33	
26	Uttar Pradesh	1046.06	1110.00	2174.52	2838.52	1558.26	2103.27	
27	Uttarakhand	180.05	190.08	155.62	240.75	57.06	80.50	
28	West Bengal	3332.63	1506.17	1896.05	1313.08	0.00	0.00	
