GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2600 ANSWERED ON 19/12/2023

NSAP IN KERALA

2600. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total funds allocated for Kerala under the National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) for the financial year 2021-22, including a breakdown of the allocation for each specific component such as Old Age Pension, Widow Pension, Disability Pension etc.; and
- (b) the fund allocation and actual amount released to the State of Kerala under NSAP during the fiscal years 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24, specifying the disbursement for each component?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (b) Funds under National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) schemes are released to States/UTs on the basis of (i) submission of proposal, complete in all respect, as per NSAP Guidelines; (ii) compliance of revised procedure for release of funds issued by Ministry of Finance, from time to time; and (iii) submission of requisite undertakings signed by the Competent Authority of the State/UT, etc. Non-compliance of these norms by any State/UT may lead to non-release of funds to that State/UT. In the case of Kerala, no funds could be released during FY 2021-22 and 2022-23 due to non-compliance of the requisite norms. However, funds amounting to Rs.60,213.92 lakh has been released to the State during current financial year, including pending liability of previous years.

Details of funds allocated for the State of Kerala and funds released to the State under pensions schemes of NSAP i.e. Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS), Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS) and Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS), during financial year 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 (as on 13.12.2023) are as under:

					(Fig. in lakl	n rupees)
Year	IGNOAPS		IGNWPS		IGNDPS	
	Allocation	Release	Allocation	Release	Allocation	Release
2021-2022	14329.60	0.00	7758.47	0.00	1109.99	0.00
2022-2023	14836.40	0.00	7758.47	0.00	1109.99	0.00
2023-2024						
(as on						
13.12.2023)	13691.96	36666.45	9859.85	20429.58	2180.88	3117.89

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