GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2523

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3RD DECEMBER, 2019/ AGRAHAYANA 12, 1941 (SAKA)

DEATHS AFTER REMOVAL OF ARTICLE 370

2523. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Common people including Non Kashmiri labourers killed in Jammu and Kashmir after abrogation of Article 370;
- (b) whether the Government has announced any financial help to the families of the deceased five Labourers of West Bengal who were killed last month in Kulgam;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has assessed that ban on internet in Kashmir has helped to prevent terror attack;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the measures taken by the Government to resume normalcy in Kashmir after Abrogation of Article 370?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a): As per the report of Government of Jammu and Kashmir, 19 civilians including Non Kashmiri labourers were killed in terror related incidents since 5th August, 2019.
- (b)& (c): An ex-gratia of Rs.1 lakh is paid to the Next of kins of civilians killed in militancy related violence under the existing scheme of Government of Jammu

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and Kashmir. In addition, Rs.5 lakhs is given under the scheme "Central Scheme for Assistance to Civilian Victims/Family of Victims of Terrorist /Communal/ LWE Violence and Cross Border Firing and Mine/IED Blasts on Indian Territory."

- (d) & (e): In view of aggressive anti-India social media posts being pushed from across the border aiming at instigating youth of the valley and glamourizing terrorists and terrorism, certain restrictions on internet have been resorted to.
- (f): Due to recent decisions taken by the Parliament on 5th/6th August, 2019, certain precautionary measures taken initially have already been substantially relaxed. It has been reported by Government of Jammu and Kashmir that all essential services are functioning normally in the Valley.
