# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2750 ANSWERED ON 14.12.2021

## EMPOWERMENT OF PANCHAYATS

# 2750. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of funds provided to the Panchayats for the development of villages in Bihar particularly in Jehanabad, Arwal and Gaya districts during the last two years;
- (b) whether the Government has proposed to set up a separate fund for the empowerment of Panchayats;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the progress achieved in this regard, so far?

### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL)

- (a) Under Fourteenth and Fifteenth Central Finance Commissions' Awards and scheme of Incentivization of Panchayats (IoP) of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, an amount of Rs.10695.71 crore has been provided to the State of Bihar for the development of villages through the Rural Local Bodies during the last two years. Funds are not provided directly to the Districts. However, as per information provided by the Government of Bihar, an amount of Rs.146.20 croee, Rs.99.52 crore and Rs.558.43 crore has been released to the Districts of Jehanabad, Arwal and Gaya respectively during the last two years that also includes the funds of Fifth State Finance Commission and Rashtriya Gram Swraj Abhiyan Scheme.
- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) & (d) Question do not arise in view of (b) above.