GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 224 ANSWERED ON 25.11,2024

Honorarium to Cook-cum-Helpers under PM POSHAN

224 Shri Asaduddin Owaisi:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) the honorarium currently provided to Cook-Cum-Helper by the Government under Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman (PM POSHAN);
- (b) whether it is true that the honorarium has not been increased since 2009;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether it is true that States provide additional honorarium to Cook-Cum-Helpers; and
- (e) if so, the amount of monthly additional honorarium provided to them, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (e): PM POSHAN Scheme is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme implemented in partnership with the States and UTs. The overall responsibility for smooth functioning of the scheme including providing hot cooked and nutritious meal to the eligible children as well as engagement of Cook-cum-Helpers (CCHs) lies with the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations. The CCHs are honorary workers who have come forward for rendering social services. As per guidelines of the Scheme, the honorarium of Rs. 1000/- per month for 10 months in a year is prescribed for the CCHs in recognition of their services and the same is being continued. The honorarium expenditure is shared between Central Government and the States and UTs as per the approved sharing pattern. Moreover, the State Governments and UT Administrations also supplement the honorarium by providing additional funds from their own resources. The State Governments and UT Administrations have the liberty to enhance the honorarium by providing additional funds. The details of monthly honorarium of CCHs under the PM POSHAN Scheme are given at Annexure.

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 224 for 25.11.2024 asked by Hon'ble MP Shri Asaduddin Owaisi regarding Honorarium to Cook-cum-Helpers under PM POSHAN.

Honorarium to Cook-cum-Helpers per month

S.No.	States/UTs	Honorarium of CCH per month (in Rs.)	Additional Honorarium of CCH per month (in Rs.)
1	Andhra Pradesh	3000	2000
2	Arunachal Pradesh	2000	1000
3	Assam	1500	500
4	Bihar	1650	650
5	Chhattisgarh	1500	500
6	Goa	1000	-
7	Gujarat	2500	1500
8	Haryana	7000	6000
9	Himachal Pradesh	3500	2500
10	Jharkhand	2000	1000
11	Karnataka	3700	2700
12	Kerala	12000	11000
13	Madhya Pradesh	2000	1000
14	Maharashtra	1500	500
15	Manipur	1000	-
16	Meghalaya	1000	-
17	Mizoram	1500	500
18	Nagaland	1000	-
19	Odisha	1400	400
20	Punjab	3000	2000
21	Rajasthan	1742	742
22	Sikkim	1000	-
23	Tamil Nadu	4100-12500	3100-11500
24	Telangana	3000	2000
25	Tripura	2500	1500
26	Uttar Pradesh	2000	1000
27	Uttarakhand	3000	2000
28	West Bengal	1500	500
29	A&N Islands	1000	-
30	Chandigarh	3300	2300
31	D&N and D & Diu	4408	3408
32	Delhi	1000	-
33	Jammu & Kashmir	1000	-
34	Ladakh	1000	-
35	Lakshadweep	1000	-
36	Puducherry	10000	9000