GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2112 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11th DECEMBER, 2015/20 AGRAHAYANA, 1937 (SAKA) NEW VERIFICATION SYSTEM FOR PENSIONERS

QUESTION

2112. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is working on digital verification of pensioners to do away with the present cumbersome system of providing life proof certificate;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the new life verification system will allow pensioners to seed their pension accounts with Aadhaar number with an additional touch application to demonstrate that the person is alive and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by which the new life verification system is likely to be put on real time application across bank counters?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JAYANT SINHA)

- (a) to (b): Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare (DOPPW) has informed that pensioners are required to submit Life Certificate to the pension disbursing agency every year in the month of November by visiting the pension disbursing branch of the bank or by submitting a Certificate signed by a Gazetted officer or any other designated authority. In November, 2014, a computer application 'Jeevan Pramaan' prepared by Department of Electronics & Information Technology (DeitY) to enable pensioners to submit Life Certificate on-line from their homes was also made available for the benefit of pensioners as an additional method to submit this certificate.
- (c): Yes, sir.
- (d): The new life verification system has already been implemented by most of the Public Sector Banks.
