## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA

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AMOUNT RELEASED UNDER PMRY IN BIHAR
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## Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the amount released by the Government under PMRY for Bihar is declining during each of the last three years;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether applications are pending under this scheme in Bihar;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to support educated unemployed youth under this scheme?

## **Answer**

## THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA)

- (a) & (b): No, Sir. Under the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana (PMRY), the Central Government releases funds for Subsidy as well as for Training, Entrepreneurial Development, Contingencies, etc. While the funds for Subsidy are authorised to the Reserve Bank of India for passing on to the individual beneficiaries through the implementing banks, the funds for Training, Entrepreneurial Development, Contingencies, etc. are released to the States/UTs. Rs. 17.26 lakhs was released to Bihar State during 1998-1999 while Rs. 44.52 lakhs was released during 2000-2001. However, no funds could be released to Bihar State during the year 1999-2000 and so far during 2001-2002 for want of utilization certificates for the funds already released to the State.
- (c) & (d): Yes, Sir. As per the reports of the Reserve Bank of India, 1463 applications were pending with the banks as on 30.09.2001 under the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) in Bihar.
- (e): Under the PMRY, educated unemployed youth belonging to the weaker sections are provided loans by Commercial Banks to set up self employed micro enterprises. To assist them, the Central Government provides financial assistance by way of subsidy, organizing motivational camps, training for the beneficiaries, contingencies etc.