

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4495

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FUNDS FOR MICRO LEVEL PLANS ON PANCHAYAT RAJ TO HIMACHAL PRADESH

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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government of Himachal Pradesh has sent a proposal to the Union Government on January 31, 2000 for allocation of funds for the publication and distribution of Handbook to the members of Panchayats to give them information of micro level plans and the guidelines with a view to promote Panchayati Raj in the State;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto; and

(c) the time by which this proposal is likely to be cleared?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) The Government of India approved the proposal of the Government of Himachal Pradesh for publication and distribution of Handbook to the members of Panchayats to give them information of micro level plans and the guidelines for an amount of Rs.3.70 lakhs. Out of this, the Government of India released Rs.1.48 lakhs being the first installment, in June, 2000.