GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1086 ANSWERED ON:15.11.2010 ADDITIONAL FUNDS UNDER PENSION SCHEME Hazari Shri Maheshwar

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any requests for the additional funds under existing pension schemes from several States including Bihar; and

(b) if so, the details thereof during the current year alongwith the action taken by the Union Government thereon, Statewise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN `ADITYA`)

(a) & (b): Government has received requests for additional funds under existing pension schemes from Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Nagaland and Tripura. The funds available under National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) in 2010-11 is Rs. 5710 crores for States. Adequate funds have been released to all States for the period April to December 2010 as per the number of beneficiaries approved for each State to receive central assistance.