GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1165 ANSWERED ON:29.11.2011 UNSPENT FUNDS UNDER SJSRY Reddy Shri Modugula Venugopala

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether funds allocated under the Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) remained unspent in various States during each of the last two years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise;
- (c) whether SJSRY has since been revamped during the current financial year;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Union Government to monitor the implementation of the scheme and to ensure full utilisation of the funds in time?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA)

(a) & (b): The Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) is an ongoing scheme and as per the guidelines of the Scheme, to avail Central funds under the SJSRY Scheme for the year 2011-12, the total central funds released upto the year 2009-10 should have been utilized by the States/UTs.

Utilization certificates for the funds released to the States and Union Territories during 2010-2011 are not due for considering release of funds during the year 2011-2012.

Statement showing the State wise total Central funds released upto 2009-2010 and during 2010-2011, 2011-2012 and unspent funds lying with States/UTs under SJSRY is at Annexure.

Weak administrative machinery for implementation of the scheme at the State, District, City and Community level, Lack of flow of credit to the urban poor and Lack of adequate capacity building and training of stakeholders etc., are some of the reasons for non-utilization of fund in time.

- (c) & (d): On the basis of an evaluation study conducted by the Ministry, as well as feedback received from various stakeholders, the scheme of Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) has been comprehensively revamped since 1st April, 2009. The revamped Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) has following five components
- (1) Urban Self Employment Programme (USEP)
- (2) Urban Women Self-help Programme (UWSP)
- (3) Skill Training for Employment Promotion amongst Urban Poor (STEP-UP)
- (4) Urban Wage Employment Programme (UWEP)
- (5) Urban Community Development Network (UCDN)
- (e): The performance of the Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) is monitored through mechanisms such as periodic review meetings, monthly/quarterly physical and financial progress reports. Besides, field visits are also taken by officers of the Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation.