

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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REHABILITATION OF KASHMIRI PANDITS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the programmes formulated for the assured employment and rehabilitation of the Kashmiri Pandits displaced from the Kashmir valley;
- (b) the amount spent on the above programmes during the year 2010-11; and
- (c) the number of families rehabilitated in the valley during the said period alongwith the details of the assistance provided to them by the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a): A comprehensive Package of Rs. 1618.40 crore has been announced for return and rehabilitation of Kashmiri migrants to the Valley in 2008 which provides for provision of assistance for housing, transit accommodation, continuation of cash relief, students' scholarship, employment, financial assistance to agriculturists and horticulturists and waiver of interest on loans.
- (b): During the year 2010-11, the Government of J&K has reported an expenditure of Rs. 22.88 crores for construction of transit accommodation.
- (c): No family has returned to the Valley. However, under employment component of the package, 1438 candidates have joined in the Valley against the created posts.