

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS TO KARNATAKA UNDER PENSION SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds provided to the State Government of Karnataka under Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme, National Family Benefit Scheme, Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the State Government has requested to provide additional funds under these schemes and also for other such schemes;
- (c) if so, whether the Union Government has provided funds to complete all the above mentioned projects; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a): Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS), National Family Benefit Scheme (NFBS) and Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS) are components of National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP), which also includes Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS) and Annapurna. NSAP is under State Plan and funds are released as Additional Central Assistance (ACA) by Ministry of Finance to States and by Ministry of Home Affairs to Union Territories as a combined allocation for all the schemes under NSAP together. The funds released to the State of Karnataka during the last three years and the current year under NSAP is as under:

(Rs. in Lakh)

2008-09 2009-10 2010-11 2011-12 (upto Nov.11)

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(b): The State Government has not requested for any additional funds during the last three years. However, State Government has indicated the requirement of funds under NSAP for the year 2011-12 as Rs. 510.18 crore.

(c)&(d): Adequate funds are released to States to provide central assistance to all the eligible beneficiaries who fulfill the eligibility criteria as prescribed by the Government of India under the schemes.