

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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REVIEW OF PENSION SCHEMES  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the implementation of Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme, Widow Pension and Disability Pension Scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether many of the eligible old age persons, widows and disabled persons are still deprived of benefits of these schemes in many States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI LALCHAND KATARIA)

(a)&(b): Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS), Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS) and Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS) are the components of National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP). Implementation of the schemes are regularly reviewed in the meetings with State Nodal Officers and in Performance Review Committee (PRC) Meetings.

(c)&(d): NSAP is under State Plan since the year 2002-03. Implementation of NSAP schemes including identification of beneficiaries, sanction and disbursement of benefits is undertaken by the State Governments. This Ministry has not received any report to the effect that the eligible old age persons, widows and disabled persons are still deprived of benefits of these schemes in many States.