GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has failed to full utilise the funds allocated for Rashtriya Swasthaya Bima Yojana (RSBY) since its inception;

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

(c) the name of States where the scheme is being currently implemented alongwith the reasons for non-implementation the such scheme in all over the country; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) & (b): During the year 2008-09, an amount of Rs. 250 crore was allocated for implementation of Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY). Out of this, Rs. 101.65 crore was utilized. The scheme being Information Technology driven, it took time to stabilize the softwares to actually roll out the scheme in the field.

(c) & (d): The RSBY is being implemented in 20 States/Union Territories, namely, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Delhi, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Kerala, Maharashtra, Nagaland, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamilnadu, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, West Bengal, and Chandigarh Administration. However, the Government of Rajasthan has discontinued the scheme. Remaining States except Andhra Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh are in the process of implementation of the scheme. However, implementation of the scheme is incumbent on the State Government.