

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3985
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INCREASE IN FREEDOM FIGHTERS PENSION
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received requests from freedom fighters and their dependents to increase the monthly pension under the 'Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980'; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon indicating the total number of such requests received during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

(a) to (b): Representations from freedom fighters and their dependents to increase the monthly pension under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman pension Scheme, 1980 have been received from time to time. Monthly pension of Central Samman pensioners and their eligible dependents is increased every year by way of Dearness Relief revision. With effect from 01.08.2013, Samman Pension is Rs. 18,547/- per month, which includes basic pension of Rs.6,330/- plus dearness relief at 193%.