GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4687 ANSWERED ON:21.02.2014 PENSIONARY BENEFITS Sayeed Muhammed Hamdulla A. B.

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether pay band for Director level officers was clubbed with the pay band of other lower level officers as per the recommendations of Sixth Pay Commission and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government delinked the pay band of Director level officers from the band attached to lower level officers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and its impact on pensionary benefits drawn by Director level officers vis-d-vis lower level officers at the level of DS/US; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to address the issue?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (d): The Sixth Central Pay Commission in para 2.2.18 of its Report recommended, inter-alia, that pre-revised pay scales ranging from Group 'A' entry level to S-27 scale of Rs. 16400-209C0 may be placed in the common Pay Band-3. The Commission further recommended Grade Pay of Rs.61007- for an Under Secretary level officer, Grade Pay of Rs.6600/- for a Deputy Secretary level officer and Grade Pay of Rs.7600/- for a Director level Officer. As part of the modifications made by the Government, while the Grade Pay of Under Secretary and Deputy Secretary level Officers were enhanced to Rs.6600/- and Rs.7600/- respectively, pre-revised Pay Scales from S-24 (applicable to Director level Officers) to S-27 have been placed in Pay Band-4. Both in pre-revised and revised pay structure, the pay scale applicable io a Director level Officer has been higher than that in case of a Deputy Secretary or Under Secretary level Officer and since pension is a function of pay drawn by an Officer at the time of superannuation, pension in case of a DS/US level officer is independent of that in case of a Director level officer. Thus, the question of taking any steps in this regard does not arise.