GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7015 ANSWERED ON:08.05.2015 SIDF Kalvakuntla Smt. Kavitha

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the main objective for the setting up of Social and Infrastructure Development Fund (SIDF) and the areas/activities the said fund is utilised;

(b) the details of the amount allocated/ utilised under the said fund during the last three years and the current year, State/UT wise including Telangana; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE MINISTER OF STATE IN (SHRI JAYANT SINHA)

(a) Social & Infrastructure Development Fund (SIDF) was created with due approval of Cabinet. While presenting the Budget for 2007-08, Hon'ble Finance Minister had announced a number of initiatives relating to social and infrastructure development which were proposed to be implemented with effect from the year 2007-08. The initiatives included Upgradation of 1396 ITIs, training of Farmers, Employment for Physically Challenged, Means cum-Merit Scholarships, Ground Water Recharge, Social Security through provision of death and disability insurance cover through LIC to rural landless households, and support to various institutes of Historical, Cultural, Economic and Agricultural significance, for improving infrastructure.

(b) & (c) An amount of `6,500 crore in 2006-07 and `6,000 crore in 2007-08 was transferred to SIDF. The details of allocation from the fund during the last three years and the current year are as follows:

(Rs.crore) Actual Actual Revised Budget 2012-13 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 Amounts released from Social 77.25 323.77 70.05 170.00 & Infrastructure Development Fund

No amount has been released to State Governments.