

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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ALLOCATION TO MINISTRY  
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**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the amount of funds allocated to the Ministry during the financial year 2013-14, head and division-wise;
- (b) whether some Departments under the Ministry have returned the funds allocated for running various programmes without disbursing the same;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, department and head-wise; and
- (d) the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has been bifurcated into following two Departments:-

- (i) Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, and
- (ii) Department of Disability Affairs.

The Budget Estimates allocated to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment during the financial Year 2013-14 was 6625.00 crore, out of which Rs 6065.00 crore was allocated to Department of Social Justice and Empowerment and Rs 560.00 crore to Department of Disability Affairs respectively. This amount was drastically reduced at the RE state to Rs. 5625.00 crore out of which Rs. 5426.05 crore i.e 96.46% was utilized. The statement regarding the head and division-wise funds allocated to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and the funds surrendered is given at the Annexure.

(d) The Ministry is implementing a number of Centrally Sponsored Schemes which are being implemented through the State Governments/UT Administrations. The proposals from the State Governments/ UT Administrations are often received late. Further, many of these proposals are incomplete and lack proper documentation/certification by the State Governments/UT Administrations. Besides, some savings is also due to non-receipt of adequate proposals from the Universities and Non Governmental Organizations. Besides above, non implementation of some of the new schemes during the financial year 2013-14 also resulted in the underutilization of funds.