Ministry of Finance Department of Expenditure Lok Sabha UNSTARRED QUESTION No.- 2213

TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, 02nd December, 2019/ 11 AGRAHAYANA, 1941 (SAKA)

Pension to Retired Employees

QUESTION

2213: Shri VE. VAITHILINGAM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government provides funds to the NCT of Delhi for giving pension to their retired employees;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the number of retired employees of NCT of Delhi drawing pension;
- (c) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized for their pension during the last three years and the current year;
- (d) whether the Government is planning to follow the same criteria in Puducherry, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether the Government has received any proposal from the Government of Puducherry in this regard and if so, the details thereof and the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR FINANCE (SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

(a) to (c) The Government of India bears the pensionary liability for retired employees of National Capital Territory of Delhi. As per e-scroll sent by different Authorised Banks for pensions, there are 46,379 pensioners of NCT of Delhi as on 20.11.2019, drawing pension through Central Pension Accounting Office, Ministry of Finance. The details of expenditure during the last three years are as under:

(Rs. In Crores)

Financial Year	Funds utilized for pensioners of NCT Delhi (figures based on expenditure booking of e-lekha and PAOs of NCT of Delhi)
2017-18	2416.02
2018-19	2400.87 (provisional)
2019-20	3513.67*

^{*}Rs.3513.67/- Crores has been budgeted, out of which expenditure is Rs.1083.49/- Crores as per the provisional accounts of October, 2019.

(d) & (e) The request of the Government of Puducherry to meet the pension liability and other retirement benefits of their government employees has been considered and not agreed to because the cases of the National Capital Territory of Delhi and Puducherry are not similar.