GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:527 ANSWERED ON:03.05.2000 BLACKLISTING OF NGOS AJAY SINGH CHAUTALA;RAMSHETH THAKUR

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned `Government blacklists 17 NGO`s stops funds` appearing the Indian Express dated April 8, 2000;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) whether the Government have filed FIRs against the NGOs which have misappropriated funds;

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith funds misappropriated, the funds released and recovered showing the names and addresses of NGOs;

(e) the steps being taken/proposed to check the misuse of funds; and

(f) the efforts being made/proposed to ensure better utilisations of funds and accountability?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. MANEKA GANDHI)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b),(c) & (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

(e)&(f) Monitoring and evaluation of the performance of the NGOs receiving grant-in-aidis carried out through inspections by the representatives of the State Governments, nodalagencies and the Ministry's own officials. In order to further improve this process, formats for reporting of work done by the NGOs themselves and the proforma for inspections are beingrevised to get improved quality of data, which shall enable assessment of the effectiveness of the work done by the NGO and reduce the chances of defalcation of funds. Other measures being adopted are inter alia improving publicity of releases made so that the work of the NGOs comes under public scrutiny, resulting in improved accountability, increase in frequency of inspections for effective monitoring etc.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b), (c) & (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.527

LIST OF NGOS FOUND INVOLVED IN MISUTILISATION OF FUNDS OR MISREPRESENTATION OF FACTORONINE INVOLVED AND THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No. Name of the NGO Grant Released Action taken Amount Recovered

1.Pandit Bachan Pandey Mahila 33.94 State Government asked Nil Vikas Sansthan,Gopalganj,Bihar to recover the grants

(Under the Scheme for Prevention and seize the assets
of Alcoholism and Substance(Drugs) created out of the
Abuse Government funds.
State Govt. being
constantly reminded
for speedy action.

Pandit Bachan Pandey Mahila - It had been released Nil Vikas Sansthan,Gopalganj,Bihar grant-in-aid upto

(under the Scheme for running 1995-96 for running a

a Residential School for residential school. Scheduled Castes) No inspection report has been received from the State Govt. 2.Gulab Singh Mahila Evam Bal 9.54 State Govt asked to Nil Kalyan Sangh, Vill & P.O. recover the grants and Rukundipur, Daraunda, Siwan, seize the assets created Bihar (Under the Scheme for out of the Govt. funds. Prevention of Alcoholism and It is being constantly Substance(Drugs) Abuse reminded for speedy action. 3.Association of Moral Guide and 6.25 - do -Nil Service to Poor [AMGALAS], At/P.O. Distt.Nayagarh, Orissa (Under the Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drugs) Abuse 4.Asha Bal Mandir Shiksha Samiti, 2.52 - do - Nil Plot No.1, B.Krishnapuri, Jaipur-1 (Under the Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance(Drugs) Abuse 5.Social Welfare Society, 2-A, 0.87 - do -Nil Main Road, Tittagudi, Tamil Nadu (Under the Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance(Drugs) Abuse) 6.Haldia Samaj Kalyan Parishad, P.O. 19.49 - do - Nil Anantpur, Via Gutahata, Dist.Midnapore, West Bengal (Under the Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drugs) Abuse.) Haldia Samaj Kalyan Parishad, Distt. 3.70 On receipt of the complaints Midnapore, West Bengal (Under Scheme against the organisation in for Street Children) 1996, the further grant to the organisation was stopped. Enquiry was made by the Ministry. It transpired that no activity was being carried out in the premises of the organisation. The Govt.of West Bengal was requested in June, 1998 for a Special Report on the activities of organisation. Inspite of last reminder sent in Dec, 1999, the State Govt. have not so far sent the report. 7.Shaheed Abdul Hameed Education 0.84 State Govt asked to recover Nil Institute, Dherwha, Khatipura, the grants and seize the Ward No. 60, Dist. Yuvatmal, assets created out of th Maharashtra (Under the Scheme Govt.funds. It is being assets created out of the for Prevention of Alcoholism constantly reminded for and Substance(Drugs) Abuse speedy action. 8.SHRADHA, Pakyong, East Sikkim 3.61 State Govt asked to recover Nil

Nil

(Under the Scheme for Prevention of the grants and seize the assets Alcoholism and Substance(Drugs) Abuse) created out of the Govt.funds. It is being constantly reminded for speedy action.

9.Akhil Bharatiya Samaj Kalyan 2.54 - do -Nil Prathisthan, Sewa Puri, Deoria, U.P. (Under the Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drugs) Abuse 10.Anjuman Madrasa Islamia, Jalaun, 5.10 - do -Nil U.P. (Under the Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drugs) Abuse Anjuman Madrasa Islamia, Jalaun, U.P. 8.81 Blacklisted on 28.9.99 on the basis of enquiry conducted on (under ADIP Scheme) receipt of complaints against the organisation which were referred to the State Govt. of U.P. The organisation has filed a Writ Petition against blacklisting in the High Court of Allahabad. 11.National Institute of Social 7.94 State Government asked to recover Nil Welfare, Faizabad, U.P. the grants and seize the assets (Under Drugs Scheme.) created out of the Government funds. State Government being constantly reminded for speedy action. National Institute of Social Welfare, 7.47 The State Government have decided Nil Faizabad, U.P. (Social Defence Scheme.) to file FIR against oganization National Institute of Social Welfare, 10.00 The State Government is taking Nil Faizabad, U.P. (ADIP Scheme.) appropriate action against the organisation. Further grant to the organization has been stopped. National Institute of Social 5.49 Grant-in-aid to this organisation Nil Welfare, Faizabad, U.P. (Under the had been released in the year Scheme for running a Residential 1999-2000 as Ist instalment. Primary School for Scheduled Castes) Further grant has not been released since inspection report for the year 1999-2000 has not been received. 12.Sarvodaya Gram Avam Mahila 7.38 Organisation found defunct and Nil Vikas Sansthan, M.Rampur, U.P. (Under inactive. The State Govt. has been the Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism asked to take action against the and Substance(Drugs) Abuse) State Government officers who had been sending satisfactory reports in respect of the organisation. The State Government also been asked to recover the grant released and seize the assets created by the organisation, out of the Govt. funds, and file a criminal case against the organisation. 13. Ambedkar Shiksha Prasarak Samiti, 5.10 Blacklisted by TD Division of this Nil Nilchlaul, Maharajganj, U.P. Ministry for forgery of signature of

Nil

State Govt.officers. The matter has been taken up with the Govt.of U.P. for establishing whether the recommendation of the State Govt for grant under the Scheme for Prohibition was also forged. The State Govt.asked to recover the grant and seize the assets 14.Abhinav Sewa Sansthan, Dwarika 5.10 State Government asked to recover Nil Ganj, Sultanpur, U.P.(Under the the grants and seize the assets Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism created out of the Government funds. and Substance(Drugs) Abuse) State Government being constantly reminded for speedy action.

15.U.P.Rana Beni Madhav Jan Kalyan 14.70 On receipt of a report from DM, Rai Nil Samiti, Rai Bareily, U.P.(Under the Bareilly that the Secretary of the Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism organisation forged signature of DM and Substance(Drugs) Abuse) and other State officials to obtain grant from this Ministry, all grants under the Scheme of the Ministry have been discontinued. DM, Rai Bareilly has informed that FIR has been lodged against the Secretary of the organisation and a few others in forgery cases. The State Govt. has been asked to enquire into the matter and furnish a factual report.

16.Indian Institute of Rural 16.86 The grants to these organisation have Nil Reconstruction and Social Change, been released after receipt of Jehanabad, Bihar (under requisite documents required to be submitted like audited accounts, item-wise break up of expenditure, audied utilization certificate etc. and the recommendations and inspection report of the State Govt. In these cases it had come to the notice of the Ministry subsequently during a test inspection that the recommendations of the State Government has been fraudulently obtained.

17.Gramin Vikas Sansthan, Gaya, Bihar 29.75 The Office of Chief Nil

(under Scheme for Spl.School for MR Commissioner for Children & Scheme for Rehabilitation Disability vide their Centre for Mentally Retarded) letter dated 12.2.99, on the basis of a communication received from Secretary((Welfare), Govt.of Bihar informed the Ministry that this organization has received funds from the Ministry on the basis of false recommendations and, therefore, recommended for blacklisting. The Ministry was also informed that the Govt. of Bihar is initiating action at their level also. The Ministry vide its communication No.37-3(1)-HW-II dated 2.6.99 addressed to Secretary, Deptt.of Social Welfare, requested the State Govt. to recover the grantin-aid mentioned in the previous column. The State Govt. was also requested to freeze the bank accounts of these organizations and attach the premises. The State Govt. was also advised that all assets whether movable or immovable may be confiscated and a detailed report on the action taken against the organizations may be intimated. Subsequently, a circular was issued on 29.9.99 conveying the decision of the Ministry to blacklist this organization. Further grant to

this organization has been stopped under the Scheme to promote voluntary action for persons with Disability. It is expected that the State Govt. would act on the advise of the Ministry. No feed back has been received from the State Govt. Gramin Vikas Sansthan, Gaya, Bihar - Grant-in-aid till 1997-98 for Nil (under Grant-in-aid for Type & (1) Type & Shorthand Centre Shorthand Centre, Tailoring Centre (2) Tailoring Centre and and Motor Driving) (3) Motor Driving. No inspection report from the State Govt. has been received. 18.Nandini Bal Vikas and Gramin 5.95 It has since been blacklisted Nil Gramodhyog Sewa Samiti, Vill.Parbati, and further grant-in-aid to P.O-Harwanshpur, Distt.Gonda, U.P. the organisation has been stopped. (Under setting up of one Old Age The organisation has represented Home, One Day Care Centre and One against the action of blacklisting Mobile Medicare Unit for Old Age and refuted the report of persons) designated inspecting agency. The reply of the organisation is under examination. 19.Orissa Association of the Deaf, 1.95 It was released grant-in-aid Nil Plot No.105/A, Palashpalli, Aerodrome for the first time during the Area. Rhubaneshwar. Pin-751009. (Under vear 98-99 for setting up Area, Bhubaneshwar, Pin-751009.(Under year 98-99 for setting up setting up of one Old Age Home, One of one Old Age Home, One Day Care Centre and One Mobile Medicare Day Care Centre and One Unit for Old Age persons) Mobile Medicare Unit for the aged people. But the State Govt. on 17.11.99 reported that the organisation did not start even a single programme even after a long period. On the basis of this report, further grant has been stopped and the Director, Social Welfare, State Govt.of Orissa has been requested to recover the grant released to this organisation. The reply of the State Govt. is still awaited.