

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

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SELF EMPLOYMENT OF PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any special schemes for providing financial assistance for self-employment of physically handicapped persons;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of funds allocated and released under the scheme during each of the last three years and the current year alongwith the number of beneficiaries thereunder, State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) & (b) The National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC) has been set up to provide financial assistance in terms of loan to persons with disabilities for undertaking self-employment activities, e.g., setting up small business in service/trading sector or small industrial unit, purchase of commercial vehicles, agricultural activities, pursuing technical & professional education, etc.

(c) NHFDC does not make allocation of funds to State Channelising Agencies; instead, loan is sanctioned/released depending on the proposals received from State Channelising Agencies.

The State/UT-wise details of funds released and number of beneficiaries assisted during last three years and the current year is at Annexure.

Annexure NATIONAL HANDICAPPED FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION STATE/UT-WISE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS & NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES ASSISTED

(Amt. Rs. in lakh)

Name of the State Years

2003-04 2004-05 2005-06 2006-07

Amt. Benf. Amt. Benf. Amt. Benf. Amt. Benf.

Andhra Pradesh 126 531 17 152 1 12 0 0

Assam 2 10 0 0 0 0 0 0

Bihar 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Chandigarh 3 15 6 30 3 28 0 0

Chattisgarh 52 102 4 1 65 92 0 0

Delhi 43 118 64 301 5 1 0 0

Goa 9 4 1 1 1 1 0 0

Gujarat 7 37 1 1 2 10 0 0

Haryana 185 367 207 386 242 475 15 27

Himachal Pradesh 74 87 49 49 131 109 6 7

Jammu & Kashmir 0 0 3 4 2 4 0 0

Karnataka 123 536 50 237 148 723 0 0

Kerala 126 216 82 147 72 103 30 49

Lakshadweep 1 2 1 1 11 12 0 0

Madhya Pradesh 237 410 63 111 127 235 0 0

Manipur 0 0 4 31 0 0 0 0

Maharashtra 845 1283 676 734 1117 1727 5 1

Nagaland 0 0 122 244 1 2 0 0

Orissa 184 461 2 15 0 0 0 0

Pondicherry 208 389 0 0 35 96 0 0

Punjab 2 4 2 8 0 0 4 16

Rajasthan 339 633 298 494 228 488 0 0

Tamil Nadu 26 102 50 217 66 500 1 10

Tripura 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Uttar Pradesh 1 8 0 0 12 17 8 18

Uttaranchal 4 4 59 112 17 23 5 6

West Bengal 85 246 7 6 58 107 0 0

Total 2682 5565 1769 3282 2344 4765 74 134

