GOVERNMENT OF INDIA URBAN DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2961 ANSWERED ON:30.07.2014 UIDSSMT Hansdak Shri Vijay Kumar

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has stopped Central grants to Jharkhand under the Urban infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns (UIDSSMT);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to take necessary steps to encourage the State Government of Jharkhand to complete reforms as per commitments made under the scheme and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether in view of the lack capabilities and constraints faced by Jharkhand, the Government proposes to extend waiver of conditions to Jharkhand as in the case of North-Eastern States and Jammu & Kashmir; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. The Government has stopped release of Additional Central Assistance (ACA) for the projects approved upto 31.03.2012 under Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns (UIDSSMT) of Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JnNURM) to all States including Jharkhand as the JnNURM has ended on 31.03.2014. The Government has requested all the States including Jharkhand to complete reforms and has appointed Reform Appraisal Agencies to provide hand holding to the States and also prepared Reform Calibration to facilitate the States for expeditious completion of reforms.

- (d): No, Madam.
- (e): Does not arise.