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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5095  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.05.2012

Funds allocation under NRLM

5095. SHRI NATUJI HALAJI THAKOR:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria for allocation of funds to States under National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) Aajeevika programme for support to livelihood projects;
(b) whether it is a fact that at present, in absence of specific rational principles, grant is being allocated randomly;
(c) if so, the details thereof; and
(d) whether Ministry has any planning for making it more rational by linking to percentage of number of poor out of the total population of State?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRI PRADEEP JAIN ‘ADITYA’)

(a): National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) follows a demand driven strategy. Under NRLM, the States have the flexibility to develop their livelihoods-based perspective plans and annual action plans for poverty reduction. Before the commencement of the financial year, each State would get an indicative allocation based on the inter-se incidence of poverty among the States/UTs to enable the states to prepare their annual action plans. The annual action plans would be appraised and approved by the NRLM/ Empowered Committee, and the approved outlay would not exceed the indicative allocation for the State.

(b) & (c): No, Sir. Does not arise.

(d): Under NRLM, the allocation of funds to the State / UTs is linked to the incidence of poverty among them.

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