

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
RAJYA SABHA  
QUESTION NO 4545  
ANSWERED ON 12.04.2017**

**Compensation to Hindu refugees of PoK**

4545                      Shri Anubhav Mohanty

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government of India is providing a compensation package to the Hindu refugees of Pakistan occupied Kashmir (PoK)
- (b) the amount of financial compensation provided to each of the Hindu refugee families of PoK;
- (c) whether any financial compensation package has been provided to the Hindu refugee families migrated from Bangladesh also; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a)&(b) The Government of India, on 22nd December, 2016, has sanctioned a package of Rs.2000 Crores for providing financial assistance of Rs.5.5 lakh per family to 36,384 displaced families of Pakistan Occupied Jammu and Kashmir area-POJK (1947) and Chhamb (1965 and 1971), living in Jammu and Kashmir. Based on the authenticated details of the beneficiaries received from the State Government of Jammu and Kashmir, the process of disbursing due central assistance directly to the Aadhar linked bank accounts of eligible beneficiaries has started. An amount of Rs.9.33 Crores has already been disbursed during the financial year 2016-17.

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(c) A Rehabilitation Package of Rs.1005.99 Crores has been sanctioned on 21st January, 2016 to the Government of West Bengal for rehabilitation and up-gradation of infrastructure of the Bangladeshi Enclaves and Cooch Behar district after transfer of enclaves between India and Bangladesh.

(d) The sanctioned cost of Rs.1,005.99 Crores for the scheme includes fixed cost of Rs.898.50 Crores for creation of infrastructure in Cooch Behar District of West Bengal and former Bangladeshi enclaves in India and variable cost of Rs.107.49 Crores for providing temporary and permanent rehabilitation of about 1,000 returnees from the former Indian Enclaves in Bangladesh. The benefit of the scheme is availed by Indian returnees from Bangladesh, and Bangladeshis who have become Citizens of India.

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