Status of various schemes of Jammu & Kashmir Division, MHA

(1) Prime Minister's Development Package, 2015

The Hon'ble Prime Minister had on 07/11/2015 announced, a Reconstruction Plan for J&K involving an outlay of Rs. 80,068 Cr. with the aim of expanding economic infrastructure, expanding provision of basic services, providing thrust to employment, income generation and providing relief & rehabilitation to the victims of September, 2014 floods and to strengthen Disaster Management Framework of the State.

Under the Prime Minister's Package-2015 (PMDP-2015), 15 Central Ministries/Departments implemented 63 projects/ schemes in J&K in sectors such as Road, Power, Health, Tourism, Agriculture, Horticulture, Skill Development etc, out of which 54 projects were implemented in the UT of J&K at a cost of Rs.58,627 crores and 9 projects in the UT of Ladakh at a cost of Rs.21,441 crores.

Out of 54 projects, One project of Ministry of Defence namely "Relocation of 216 Transit Camp" with an outlay Rs.150 crore has been dropped from PMDP 2015 with the approval of PMO in June 2021.

After dropping of one Project, 53 projects (GoI-18 and GoJK- 35) are implemented in the UT of J&K at a cost of Rs. 58,477 Cr.

Out of these 53 projects, 35 projects have been completed/nearing completion as on date and the rest are at various stages of implementation.

Out of total 63 projects, 9 projects amounting to Rs. 21,441 crore were exclusively for the UT of Ladakh, of which, 2 projects have been completed, 1 being replaced with other project if possible before dropping and remaining 6 are at various stages of implementation.

(2) Relief and Rehabilitation to Kashmiri migrants

(a) With onset of militancy in the erstwhile State of Jammu and Kashmir in the late eighties, particularly in Kashmir Province in the year 1989-90, a large number of families had to migrate from their ancestral place of residence in Kashmir Province. This mainly comprised Kashmiri Hindus/Pandits. A smaller number of families belonging to Sikh and Muslim communities also migrated. Initially, all the migrants moved to the winter capital of J&K i.e. Jammu. Thereafter, some families moved out of Jammu to different States/UTs on their own. At present, there are 47,129 Kashmiri migrant families registered with Relief organization, in Jammu & Kashmir.

(b) A variety of measures have been taken over the years by the Government by way of financial assistance/relief to the affected families, within a broad policy framework that those who have migrated will eventually return to the Valley. The following measures have been taken over the years by the Government to rehabilitate Kashmiri migrants in Valley:

- 1) Cash Assistance:- Families registered under relief category are presently entitled to cash assistance of Rs.3250/- per month per person subject to the maximum ceiling of Rs.13,000/- per family per month. Since, 2017 the disbursement of cash assistance to the Kashmiri Migrants is made through DBT mode on PFMS Portal. The cash assistance has been enhanced from time to time.
- 2) Free Ration:- 9 Kg of Rice per soul, 2 Kg of Atta per soul and 1 Kg of Sugar per family per month to adult person and 250 gram sugar per New Born Baby per month is being provided to the registered migrants under relief category.
- 3) Inclusion of soul in a migrant family:- There is a provision for inclusion of daughter-in-law and new born baby in the already registered Kashmiri migrants family. Under relief category, the daughter-in-law is entitled for cash assistance/free ration as admissible to an adult soul whereas, per order No. Rev (MR)/63 of 2005 dated 23.06.2005, a new born baby is entitled for a cash assistance of Rs.400/- and 250 gms sugar per month upto the age of 04 years.
- 4) Bifurcation:-There is a provision of bifurcation of a large family registered under pension category to relief category viz, a dependent married member registered under pension category being unemployed, can be bifurcated and can avail relief benefits. Bifurcation of existing families is also made as per the guidelines.
- 5) Protection of Property of Kashmiri Migrants:- In order to protect migrant property and to avoid distress sales, the state Government enacted a law called "The J&K Migrant Immovable Property (Preservation, Protection and Restraint of Distress Sale) Act,1997" on 30-05-1997. District Magistrates have been designated as Custodian of Migrant Property and Divisional Commissioner Kashmir has been designated as competent authority for giving permission for sale.
- 6) Issuance of Registration Certificates to the unregistered Kashmiri Migrants:-Relief & Rehabilitation Commissioner (M) is issuing authority of Registration Certificate to Kashmiri Migrants who are not registered with Relief Organisation(M) in terms of Govt. Order No.-52 JK (DMRRR) of 2020 dated 16.05.2020 through online mode.
- 7) Issuance of Certificates to Migrants in online Mode:- Relief & Rehabilitation Commissioner (M) is issuing authority of Domicile Certificate, Migrant Certificate, Income Certification, EWS/RBA Certificates.
- 8) Health Care:- Kashmiri migrants have also been provided with the Ayushman Golden Health Cards. The expenses beyond the limit of Ayushman Health Card are reimbursed from the Corpus Fund. In every camp, PHCs/ Dispensaries have been provided for suitable health care.
- 9) Corpus Fund:- As per the Government policy, Corpus Fund of Rupees Five Crores was created vide Order No. 96-Rev/MR/36/2007 dated 14.03.2007. Interest of this corpus fund is being transferred to Relief Organisation(M), which is being utilized for reimbursement of ailing migrant member on

account of chronic diseases and the expenses incurred are being approved by the competent authority. An amount of Rs. 4.25 Crores has been disbursed.

- 10) Educational Facilities:- Five Government Schools have been established in camps to provide education to migrant children. In addition to above, two Migrant Higher Secondary Schools are also functional. Besides, Professional colleges of various states have reserved seats for admission of Kashmiri migrants.
- 11) Online Services:- For the convenience of Kashmiri migrants, 06 online services i.e. Domicile Certificates, Migrant Certificates (for both job and education purpose), RBA (Resident of Backward Areas) Certificates, EWS Certificates, Income Certificates and Registration Certificates have been launched.

(c) The Government of NCT of Delhi is also providing cash relief of Rs.3250/per head per month (maximum Rs. 13,000/- per family per month) to eligible families living in Delhi/NCR. Expenditure incurred by the State Government in this respect over and above Rs.1000 per head per month is being reimbursed by the MHA under the Security Related Expenditure (Return & Rehabilitation)-SRE(R&R). Other States are providing relief as per scales fixed by them from their own budget.

(d) Under Prime Minister's Package-2004, a project for construction of 5442 Two Room Tenements (TRTs) at four locations (Purkhoo, Muthi, Nagrota and Jagati) with an estimated cost of Rs. 385.00 crore was sanctioned. In phase-I, 1024 TRTs were constructed at Purkhoo, Muthi and Nagrota and were allotted to Kashmiri migrants. In phase-II, 4224 TRTs were constructed at Jagti Migrant Colony, Jammu and were allotted to the Kashmiri migrants.

(e) A Comprehensive Package was announced by the Government in 2008 for return and rehabilitation of Kashmiri Migrants. Under this package, 3000 Government jobs have been provided to kashmiri migrants and 721 Transit accommodations have been constructed in the Kashmir valley.

(f) Besides, the Government of India has approved another package, on 18th November, 2015 for providing additional 3000 state government jobs to the Kashmiri migrants and construction of 6000 transit accommodations in the Kashmir valley. Till July, 2024, out of 6000 Govt. jobs 2724 jobs have been provided to Kashmiri migrants and 2296 Transit Accommodation have been constructed in Kashmir valley.

(3) Relief to Jammu Migrants

Terrorist violence/militancy in the State of Jammu and Kashmir, particularly in its early phases (early 1990s), had led to large scale forced migration from the Kashmir Valley. Besides the families who migrated from the Valley, many families migrated from different hilly areas of Jammu division to safer places of nearby towns due to security reasons.

The Govt. of India has approved a proposal for providing relief to the migrants of

the hilly areas of Jammu division at par with the Kashmiri migrants.

(4) Financial Assistance to Displaced Families of POJK and Chhamb

The Prime Minister, during his visit to J&K on 07.11.2015 announced a rehabilitation package of Rs. 2000 crore under the Prime Minister's Development Package-2015 for Jammu & Kashmir for the rehabilitation of 36,384 Displaced Families of Pakistan Occupied Jammu & Kashmir (POJK-1947) and Chhamb area (1965 & 1971) in order to enable these families to run small business or to undertake scientific farming, livestock or other land-based activities, which can provide the displaced families some assured and sustained earning.

Under the scheme, one-time financial assistance of Rs.5.5 lakh (Rs.5,49,692/- is the Central share and Rs.308 is the State share) is provided to the displaced families through DBT mode using PFMS module. The Government of J&K collects the details such as Aadhaar number, bank account etc. of eligible beneficiaries, authenticates them and up-loads the details in the PFMS module for subsequent disbursement by MHA. Since inception of the scheme Rs. 1452.34 Crore has been disbursed till 31.03.2022, which is approximately 72% of the budgetary outlay of Rs. 2000 crores.

(5) **Enhancement of remuneration to Special Police Officers (SPOs):** Monthly remuneration of Special Police Officers (SPOs) in the State was revised in 2019 and is given from Rs. 6000 to 18000 depending on length of service, to help strengthen the combat against militants.

(6) **IR Battalions**- The Government of India approved establishment of five India Reserve (IR) Battalions for J&K. The State Government has recruited 3999 Constables and 58 Sub Inspectors for these IR Battalions.

(7) **High End Security** – PM announced a package of Rs.500 Crore, under the Development Package-2015 for J&K Police, for providing high end security and law order system in J&K.

(8) **Conducting Bharat Darshan /Watan-Ko-Jano Tours Programme**: Bharat Darshan /Watan Ko Jano tours and Kashmiri Youth Exchange Programme are organized with the help of all the CAPFs, J&K Police and Social Welfare Department, Govt. of UT of J&K and Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS). So far, about 25,000 persons have been benefited under this Project.

(9) Civic Action Programme (CAP) activities: Civic Action Programme is being implemented with the help of CAPFs under which various activities are conducted including conducting Medical Camps, Veterinary Camps, vocational training and skill development programmes for youth, sports and cultural activities etc. in the UTs of J&K and Ladakh.

(10) Women Empowerment through Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA) : Releasing grant-in-aid to SEWA for establishment of their resource centers at in J&K and Ladakh. In the year 2023-24, new proposal of SEWA for expansion on various activities in Budgam, Baramullah Bandipora districts of Jammu and Kashmir and 40 villages of Ladakh amounting to Rs.6.65 Crores was

approved for three years out of which Rs.2.21 Crore has been released as first instalment.

(11) **Subsidized Helicopter Services in UT of J&K and UT of Ladakh**: In order to provide connectivity to some areas in UT of Jammu and Kashmir and UT of Ladakh, which are remote, inaccessible by road or even when connected by road remain cut off during winter due to rain / snowfall, a Scheme of Subsidized helicopter services in UT of J&K and UT of Ladakh for inaccessible sectors with subsidy by the Government of India upto 75% of the operational cost after deducting flat 20% on account of passenger recovery or actual recovery, whichever is more. The Scheme has been extended till 2025-26 in UT of J&K and UT of Ladakh on 5 and 7 approved routes respectively.