

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1464**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 9TH DECEMBER, 2025/ AGRAHAYANA 18, 1947
(SAKA)**

DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS TO HIMACHAL PRADESH

1464. SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated from the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) and amount allocated for central share in State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and other Central disaster relief schemes to Himachal Pradesh since 2023 and the purposes for which these were released;

(b) whether the Government has received utilization certificates and also confirmation that the Government of Himachal Pradesh contributed its prescribed share to SDRF and other matching contributions, if not, the reasons and remedial steps taken;

(c) the details of any special financial packages, mitigation projects sanctioned or under consideration to reduce disaster risk in Himachal Pradesh, with timelines and implementing agencies;

(d) the details of immediate relief, ex-gratia, NDRF/SDRF funds released during the recent Bilaspur landslide on 7 October 2025; and

(e) the details of any research on occurrence of landslides, slope-stabilisation and other preventive measures being funded or commissioned by disaster relief agencies and institutes under the Ministry?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)

(a) to (e): As per the National Disaster Management Policy, the primary responsibility for disaster management rests with the State Governments concerned. The State Governments provide relief assistance to the

affected people in the event of notified natural disasters, from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF), already placed at its disposal, through established channel of concerned district administrative machineries in accordance with approved items and norms of Government of India (GOI) in accordance with the magnitude of the ground situation. These norms inter-alia provide for assistance to the affected people without any discrimination. However, in the event of disaster of a severe nature, additional financial assistance is extended from the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF), as per laid down procedure, which includes an assessment based on the visit of an Inter-Ministerial Central Team (IMCT). Financial assistance provided from SDRF/ NDRF is by way of relief and not for compensation of loss suffered/ claimed. With regard to package, it is mentioned that under the existing scheme of SDRF/ NDRF, there is no provision to provide any special financial package for the affected State.

In order to supplement the efforts of State, the Central Government had released the following amount from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF)/ National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh for management of relief necessitated by notified natural disasters during 2023-24 to 2025-26 are given as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Allocation under SDRF	Centre's share of SDRF released	Released from NDRF		
			Natural calamities	Modernization of fire services	PDNA (R&R)*
2023-24	400.80	360.80	787.25	--	--
2024-25	420.00	378.40	66.92	17.64	--
2025-26 (as on 04.12.2025)	441.60	397.60	107.15	23.52	451.44

* R &R = Recovery & Reconstruction.

In the case of mitigation fund, the Central Government had released the following amount from State Disaster Mitigation Fund (SDMF)/ National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF) to the State Government during 2023-24 to 2025-26 are given as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Allocation under SDMF	Centre's share of SDMF released	Released from NDMF	
			GLOF #	NLRMP*
2023-24	100.20	42.80	--	--
2024-25	105.00	184.65	-	--
2025-26 (as on 04.12.2025)	110.40	49.70	9.45	37.50

GLOF = Glacial Lake Outburst Flood

* NLRMP = National Landslide Mitigation Programme.

The State Government has furnished the information in the regard of matching share and has confirmed that State Government of Himachal Pradesh has contributed its matching share to SDRF, SDMF and NDMF.

The Central Government has approved the financial assistance of Rs. 2006.40 cr. for the State of Himachal Pradesh for disaster recovery and reconstruction needs. The central share of assistance from R&R funding window under NDRF is Rs. 1504.80 crore. The first instalment of Rs. 451.44 cr has been released to the State. Further, Himachal Pradesh is identified State for implementation of National GLOF Risk Mitigation Project. Rs. 35 crore is allocated for the State and first instalment of Rs. 9.45 crore is released to the State. Himachal Pradesh is also identified State for implementation of National Landslide Risk Mitigation Project. Rs. 139 crore is allocated for the State and first instalment of Rs. 37.50 crore is released to the State

Further, in order to examine the occurrence of natural disaster events including landslides in Hill States including Himachal Pradesh, a study has been carried out by National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA). Based on the report of NDMA, further action is taken as per the established procedure.