

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3718**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 24th MARCH, 2017
CHAITRA 3, 1939 (SAKA)**

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ALLOWANCES

QUESTION

3718. SHRI C.R. PATIL:

Will the **Minister of FINANCE** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Committee on Allowances set up by the Government to examine the issues of allowances to Central Government employees consequent upon implementation of the Seventh Pay Commission has sought extension of time for submitting its report;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for delay in submitting its report without obtaining the approval of the Government for extension;

(c) the steps taken/being taken to ensure that the Committee does not adopt any lackadaisical approach and the Government decides the matter expeditiously; and

(d) the approximate time period may be required by the Government to take a final decision upon receipt of the said report?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE
(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

(a) to (d): The Committee on Allowances has been constituted vide order dated 22.07.2016. The Committee is to examine and make recommendations as to whether any changes in the recommendations of the 7th CPC relating to allowances are warranted and if so, in what form. The Committee has received a large number of demands on allowances and even now receives demands in this regards. All the demands have been diligently examined. The Committee has already held 13 meetings so far and interacted with the representatives of Central Nodal Ministries, National Council (Staff Side), Joint Consultative Machinery (JCM) and officers and representatives of employee associations of Ministry of Health and Family welfare, Home Affairs, Railways, Defence and Department of Posts. The Committee has taken more time than was initially prescribed in view of the large number of demands received. The Committee is now in the process of finalizing its Report. Decisions on implementing the Report will be taken after the Report is submitted by the Committee.