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Shri G Kishan Reddy states various steps taken by the Government for the  
rehabilitation of Kashmiri migrants

3000 State Government jobs created for Kashmiri migrants at an outlay of Rs. 1080 crores under the Prime Minister's Development Package, 2015: Shri G Kishan Reddy

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Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, Shri G Kishan Reddy, in a written reply in Rajya Sabha to a question regarding return of Kashmiri migrants said that it has been the endeavour of the Government of India to ensure the safe return of Kashmiri migrants by providing various rehabilitation facilities and to create an environment conducive for their return to the Valley. Accordingly, the Government has approved the following rehabilitation schemes for Kashmiri migrants. Under the Prime Minister's Development Package, 2015 (PMDP- 2015):

- (i) Creation of 3,000 State Government jobs for the Kashmiri migrants at an outlay of Rs. 1,080 crores. As per the information provided by the Government of Jammu & Kashmir, selection process has been concluded in respect of 1781 posts and 604 candidates have joined in different departments as on 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2020. These jobs are in addition to the 3000 State Government jobs approved under the Prime Minister's Package-2008, against which 2,905 jobs have been filled.
- (ii) Construction of 6,000 transit accommodations at an outlay of Rs. 920 crores for accommodating 3000 Kashmiri migrants employed under PMRP- 2008 and for 3000 additional migrants under PMDP-2015. 849 flats are available for accommodation and 560 flats are under construction.

In addition to the above, the Government of India reimburses monthly cash relief to the eligible Kashmiri migrants settled in Jammu. Since the year 2014, the monthly cash relief has been

enhanced twice i.e. from Rs. 6600/- per family to Rs. 10,000/- per family in 2015 and to Rs. 13,000/- per family in 2018. In addition, dry ration is also provided to these Kashmiri migrants.

In case of Kashmiri migrants settled in Delhi, the Government of India reimburses the expenditure incurred by the Government of NCT of Delhi (GNCTD) on the monthly cash relief of Rs.3250/- per person out of which the share of GNCTD is Rs. 1000/- per person.

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