

Ministry of Home Affairs
(DM Division)

Policy decision regarding policy of adjustment of unspent balance in State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) for meeting the 'instant' disaster while releasing assistance from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF).

In the High Level Committee meeting held on 21.12.2015, it was noted that the first charge of relief expenditure is on the SDRF and hence, there is a requirement to adjust the balance amount of the SDRF whenever NDRF amount is released. As such, it was decided that henceforth, release of assistance from NDRF will be subject to the adjustment of 50% of balance available with the State Government in the SDRF, at the point of approval/ sanction of assistance amount.

As such earlier decision of releasing funds under NDRF subject to adjustment of 50% SDRF balance available with the State Government as on 1st April, 2015 was superseded on 21st December 2015 by a decision taken by the HLC. Accordingly, earlier procedure stands revised.

However, the manner and the procedure for calculation of the SDRF balance for the instant disaster remains the same, as explained in the manual on 'Administration of State Disaster Response Fund and National Disaster Response Fund'.
