

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
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**ANSWERED ON**  
**UTILISATION OF NREGS FUNDS .**

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Will the Minister of COAL, HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE, INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING, RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :-

(a) whether it is a fact that in many States including Orissa, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) funds could not be utilised; and

(b) what is exact position of NREGS work in these States for 2007, 2008 and 2009?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI PRADEEP JAIN `ADITYA`)

(a) & (b): In accordance with instruction & guidelines on release of funds, funds are required to be released to the States according to the approved Annual Labour Budget in two installments. The second installment is to be released on submission of utilisation certificate and audit report of the previous financial year showing atleast 60% utilisation of available resources. However, since Mahatma Gandhi NREGA is demand based, funds are being released to the States in more than two installments. Further, funds under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA are to be kept upfront to meet any sudden spurt in labour demand. Funds under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA are non-lapsable and un spent funds of a financial year are carried forward to the next financial year to be used for meeting the labour demand. As per reports available, at national level expenditure under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA during 2006-07 was 73%, during 2007-08 was 82% and during 2008-09 was 73%. Utilisation of funds in Orissa, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand during the last three years alongwith status of works in these States is as under.

State	2006-07			2007-08			2008-09		
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Orissa	82.39	51521	18803	71.46	64304	19621	64.52	148011	10415
Chhattisgarh	79.53	32463	16105	92.37	102355	65562	71.51	100451	53673
Jharkhand	72.44	63815	24048	84.68	159057	49438	56.77	160302	65483