

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 114
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.07.2017

BETTER LEVERAGING OF MGNREGA

114. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL:

Will the Minister of **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is building systems to help poor regions leverage MGNREGA in a better way;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has launched a concerted campaign to target families which have reported deprivations under the Socio Economic and Caste Census (SECC); and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) & (b): The Government is taking all steps to help poor regions in leveraging MGNREGA in a better way. All efforts are made to pragmatically arrive at a realistic labour budget through review of the past performance, by the states and as well as factoring the requirement of the State keeping in view the poverty level. While factoring poverty, the total rural households falling under various deprivation categories and the number of rural land less households dependent upon manual casual labour for livelihood as per SECC, 2011 are taken into consideration. The State with higher incidence of poverty are sanctioned higher labour budget.

(c) & (d): Survey exercise to map the SECC Tin Numbers with MGNREGA Job Cards for all the 5.4 crore vulnerable rural Households(HHs) dependent upon manual casual labour is underway throughout the country. So far, more than 1.8 crore HHs have been surveyed. During the survey, if a particular household is not already linked to MGNREGA and expresses its willingness to work under the Scheme, it is provided with MGNREGA job card. So far, 9.19 lakh HHs have shown willingness for inclusion in MGNREGA.
