

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 129**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.07.2017

**GRAM PARIVAHAN YOJANA**

**129. SHRI T. G. VENKATESH:**  
**SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN:**

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

- (a) whether Government is contemplating on introducing Gram Parivahan Yojana to facilitate transport facilities in rural areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any areas have been identified in Puducherry and Andhra Pradesh for implementation of the scheme;
- (d) the quantum of funds earmarked for this purpose; and
- (e) by when this scheme will be implemented?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b): It has been decided to launch a new sub-scheme under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) which will be named as “Aajeevika Grameen Express Yojana (AGEY)”. The main objectives of AGEY are (i) to provide an alternative source of livelihoods to members of Self Help Groups (SHGs) under DAY-NRLM by facilitating them to operate public transport services in backward rural areas and (ii) to provide safe, affordable and community monitored rural transport services (e-rickshaws, 3 and 4 wheeler motorised transport vehicles) to connect remote villages with key services and amenities (including access to markets, education and health) for the overall economic development of the area by making use of the supports available within the framework of DAY-NRLM. The sub-scheme will be implemented in 250 blocks in the country on a pilot basis for a period of 3 years from 2017-18 to 2019-20. The States have been informed about the number of blocks allocated to them to take up this sub-scheme in the pilot phases.

(c): As per the approved allocation of blocks among States / Union Territories, AGEY will be implemented in 1 block in Puducherry and 6 blocks in Andhra Pradesh. However, the specific blocks will be decided by the concerned State Governments.

(d): No specific funds have been allocated to this sub-scheme. The funds required for AGEY will be met from the overall allocation of DAY-NRLM.

(e): The guidelines of the scheme are under finalization, after which the scheme will be launched.