

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1545**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.01.2018

**WOMEN EMPLOYMENT IN RURAL AREAS**

**1545. SHRI A.U. SINGH DEO:**

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

- (a) whether rate of women employment under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) has decreased over the years in rural areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the number of women workers who were provided employment under MGNREGA during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether Government proposes to provide non-transient/table jobs to women workers to increase their participation under MGNREGA and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of measures taken by Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

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

(a)&(b): No, Sir. The employment rate under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) during the last three years is more than 50% and shown an increasing trend over the years. The details are given below:

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>%age of Women Persondays</b>
2014-15	54.88
2015-16	55.26
2016-17	56.14

(c): The State/UT-wise details of employment provided to women under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) during the last three years are given at **Annexure**.

(d)&(e): As against the statutory requirement of one-third of the beneficiaries being women, about 54.16% of the workers under MGNREGA are women during the current year.

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Annexure referred in reply to part (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1545 dated 01.01.2018.

(Figure in lakh)

No.	State	Number of Women Provided employment		
		2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	30.04	32.30	34.94
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0.46	0.60	0.78
3	ASSAM	3.89	7.88	8.97
4	BIHAR	4.67	7.66	12.50
5	CHHATTISGARH	16.04	20.23	19.71
6	GOA	0.06	0.05	0.05
7	GUJARAT	4.09	4.69	5.85
8	HARYANA	1.40	1.20	1.93
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	3.34	3.20	4.00
10	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	1.10	2.58	2.59
11	JHARKHAND	5.46	5.58	9.48
12	KARNATAKA	14.08	14.23	20.85
13	KERALA	13.17	14.36	13.98
14	MADHYA PRADESH	25.96	22.96	22.57
15	MAHARASHTRA	9.66	10.86	12.22
16	MANIPUR	1.97	1.89	2.25
17	MEGHALAYA	2.16	2.44	2.68
18	MIZORAM	1.21	1.04	0.83
19	NAGALAND	1.69	2.05	1.89
20	ODISHA	7.60	12.51	13.59
21	PUNJAB	1.96	3.29	3.82
22	RAJASTHAN	32.06	37.33	40.81
23	SIKKIM	0.31	0.38	0.40
24	TAMIL NADU	55.13	58.86	60.95
25	TELANGANA	24.89	26.04	25.19
26	TRIPURA	5.22	4.60	4.49
27	UTTAR PRADESH	12.42	20.87	20.84
28	UTTARAKHAND	2.85	3.63	3.87
29	WEST BENGAL	29.00	40.02	37.97
30	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	0.08	0.06	0.08
31	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	NR	NR	NR
32	DAMAN & DIU	NR	NR	NR
33	LAKSHADWEEP	0.002	0.00	0.00
34	PUDUCHERRY	0.27	0.30	0.29
	Total	312.22	363.70	390.34

NR=Not Reported

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