

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 235
ANSWERED ON 22/03/2023

DEPRIORITISING MGNREGS

235 SHRI JAWHAR SIRCAR:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons why allocations for MGNREGS are going down every year and what was the budget and actual expenditure during the last three years;
- (b) the reasons why Government is insisting on National Mobile Monitoring System (NMMS) attendance; and
- (c) the reasons why sanctions to State Government are also decreasing?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement in reply to Parts (a) to (c) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 235 for 22.03.2023

(a)&(c): Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS) is a demand driven wage employment Scheme. There is no State/UT wise allocation of funds under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS.

Funds release to States/UTs is a continuous process and Central Government is committed to making funds available to States/UTs for the implementation of the Scheme as per the demand for work on the ground. The Ministry seeks additional funds under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS from the Ministry of Finance as and when required for meeting the demand for work.

The details of funds allocation at Budget Estimate stage, Revised Estimate stage and fund released under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS are given below:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Budget Estimate	Revised Estimate	Fund released
2019-20	60,000.00	71,001.81	71,687.71
2020-21	61,500.00	1,11,500.00	1,11,170.86
2021-22	73,000.00	98,000.00	98,467.85

(b): To ensure more transparency in the implementation of Mahatma Gandhi NREGS the capturing of attendance for all the works (except individual beneficiary works) through National Mobile Monitoring System (NMMS) App has been decided. This increases citizen oversight of the Scheme besides enabling faster processing of payments. Worksites supervisors are responsible for capturing attendance along with geo-tagged photographs of the workers through the NMMS App.
