

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1705
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15/03/2023

BIOMETRIC ATTENDANCE FOR MGNREGA WORKERS

1705 SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has mandatory Bio Metric Attendance for MNREGA Job Card holders;
- (b) if so, reasons and details thereof;
- (c) whether there is pan-India protest against the introduction of biometric attendance by MNREGA job card holders;
- (d) if so, details thereof;
- (e) whether Government has entered into talks with MNREGA job card holders who are agitating against biometric attendance;
- (f) if so, details thereof; and
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) to (g) Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS) is a demand-driven wage employment Scheme. There is no such provision as 'Biometric attendance' under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS.
