GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3010 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20/12/2024

WAGES UNDER MGNREGA

3010 SHRI MADAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount being paid every month to skilled workers, unskilled workers and other personnel in various States under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) in the country including the State of Rajasthan, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that MGNREGA workers and employees in Rajasthan are not being paid salary/wages at a uniform rate in all the districts; and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAMLESH PASWAN)

(a): Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS) is a demand-driven wage employment scheme. Wage payments are directly credited by the Central Government into the account of beneficiaries through the Direct Benefit Transfer protocol.

State/Union Territories—wise details of wages paid to unskilled workers, including Rajasthan under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS, during the current financial year 2024-25 (as on 16.12.2024) are given in **Annexure-I**.

State/Union Territories—wise details of wages paid to skilled and semi-skilled workers, including Rajasthan under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS, during the current financial year 2024-25 (as on 16.12.2024) are given in **Annexure-II**.

(b)& (c): The wage rates for Mahatma Gandhi NREGS workers are notified by the Ministry of Rural Development annually and are linked to the Consumer Price Index for Agricultural Labourers (CPI-AL) for each State/UT. The notified wage rate for the State of Rajasthan for unskilled workers under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS for the financial year 2024-25 is ₹ 266. While the notified wage rate for unskilled workers is uniform in all districts of Rajasthan but actual payment may differ due to the implementation of the Group Task-Based Napi System under which payment has to made while taking into account actual tasks completed by the labourers and not only by the notified wage rate. However, in the case of skilled employees, wage rate is fixed by the concerned State Government and is also paid by the State Government itself from the material component.

Annexure referred in reply to part (a) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3010 dated 20.12.2024.

State/Union Territories –wise details of wages paid to unskilled workers including Rajasthan under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS, during the current financial year 2024-25 (as on 16.12.2024)(Rs. in crore)

| Sl. No. | States/UTs | wages paid to unskilled workers |
|---------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 5727.5 |
| 2 | Arunachal Pradesh | 346.5 |
| 3 | Assam | 1351.65 |
| 4 | Bihar | 4683.23 |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | 2335.90 |
| 6 | Goa | 1.60 |
| 7 | Gujarat | 824.73 |
| 8 | Haryana | 351.76 |
| 9 | Himachal Pradesh | 777.96 |
| 10 | Jammu & Kashmir | 814.24 |
| 11 | Jharkhand | 1842.03 |
| 12 | Karnataka | 3624.42 |
| 13 | Kerala | 2355.62 |
| 14 | Madhya Pradesh | 3355.72 |
| 15 | Maharashtra | 2840.79 |
| 16 | Manipur | 424.72 |
| 17 | Meghalaya | 544.08 |
| 18 | Mizoram | 494.85 |
| 19 | Nagaland | 107.84 |
| 20 | Odisha | 2164.57 |
| 21 | Punjab | 776.00 |
| 22 | Rajasthan | 5917.79 |
| 23 | Sikkim | 67.49 |
| 24 | Tamil Nadu | 5775.38 |
| 25 | Telangana | 2734.45 |
| 26 | Tripura | 645.30 |
| 27 | Uttar Pradesh | 6321.23 |
| 28 | Uttarakhand | 400.15 |
| 29 | Puducherry | 38.22 |
| 30 | Ladakh | 51.62 |
| 31 | Andaman & Nicobar | 3.11 |
| 32 | Lakshadweep | 0.32 |
| 33 | Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu | |
| | Total | 57705.06 |

Annexure referred in reply to part (a) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3010 dated 20.12.2024.

State/Union Territories –wise details of wages paid to skilled and semi-skilled workers including Rajasthan under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS during the current financial year 2024-25 (as on 16.12.2024)(Rs. in lakh)

| Sl. No. | State/UTs | skilled and semi-skilled wage |
|---------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 7721.1 |
| 2 | Arunachal Pradesh | 94.0 |
| 3 | Assam | 339. |
| 4 | Bihar | 15980.9 |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | 5193.4 |
| 6 | Goa | 2.2 |
| 7 | Gujarat | 1687. |
| 8 | Haryana | 1137.5 |
| 9 | Himachal Pradesh | 5202.9 |
| 10 | Jammu And Kashmir | 5373.0 |
| 11 | Jharkhand | 5727.7 |
| 12 | Karnataka | 4619.6 |
| 13 | Kerala | 8526.0 |
| 14 | Ladakh | 161.3 |
| 15 | Madhya Pradesh | 9376.0 |
| 16 | Maharashtra | 5673. |
| 17 | Manipur | 175.9 |
| 18 | Meghalaya | 5730.5 |
| 19 | Mizoram | 669.8 |
| 20 | Nagaland | |
| 21 | Odisha | 6146.9 |
| 22 | Punjab | 1943.9 |
| 23 | Rajasthan | 36703.6 |
| 24 | Sikkim | 450.0 |
| 25 | Tamil Nadu | 14048.7 |
| 26 | Telangana | 5783.8 |
| 27 | Tripura | 1071.6 |
| 28 | Uttar Pradesh | 28572.1 |
| 29 | Uttarakhand | 3294.1 |
| 30 | West Bengal | |
| 31 | Andaman and Nicobar | 2.1 |
| 32 | Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu | |
| 33 | Lakshadweep | |
| 34 | Puducherry | 12.9 |
| | Total | 181424.1 |
