

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 154**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.02.2017

**LOCAL AREA EMPLOYMENT SCHEME**

**154. SHRI HUKUM SINGH:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to start any Local Area Employment Scheme for the educated rural youths;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to start Accredited Skill Development Course including the Job Guarantee Scheme for the rural youths; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a): No, Madam.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) & (d): Ministry of Rural Development is not contemplating to start Accredited Skill Development Course including the Job Guarantee Scheme for the rural youths. It is already implementing skilling programme viz. Deen Dayal Upadhyay Grameen Kaushalya Yojna wherein skilling is undertaken in accredited courses under National Council for Vocational Training and Sector Skills Council and any other courses accredited under National Skill Qualification Framework. The Government has also launched a convergence initiative "Project for Livelihoods in Full Employment under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (Project LIFE-MGNREGA)" in April 2015. The initiative aims at promoting self-reliance and improving skill base of youths in MGNREGA households in convergence with Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (placement linked Skill Development Program) and Rural Self Employment Technical Institute for youth of Rural households that are largely dependent on Mahatma Gandhi NREGA for livelihood.

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