GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2410 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2017

SETTING UP OF MANDI SAMITI

2410. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to establish 'Mandi Samiti' at village level in the form of Gramin Haat in rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the criteria fixed for the selection of locations for such Haats; and
- (d) the method adopted to select locations for such Haats and the authority/ committee at which level decisions are made to select locations?

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

(a) to (d): No, Sir. Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) which ceased to exist from 31/03/2013 has been restructured as National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM). Consequently, a policy decision was taken in May 2013 that no funds will be released by this Ministry directly for setting up of any new Haats. For the already approved rural haats, States were given time till 31st March, 2014 to complete the projects reckoning it as a spill over liability to be met by Government of India.
