

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2443
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16/03/2017

ENHANCEMENT OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF PRS

2443. SHRIMATI KAVITHA KALVAKUNTLA

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted or proposes to conduct workshops for enhancing the effectiveness of the Panchayati Raj System (PRS) across the country ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any parameters have been fixed to check the effectiveness and impact of the workshops; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) & (b) Government has been conducting various consultations and workshops for developing strategies and solutions relevant to improving the quality and effectiveness of Panchayati Raj Institutions. The details of such strategic workshops/ consultations are given in **Annexure**.

(c) & (d) The broad parameters for checking the effectiveness and impact of the workshops are decided with respect to the achievement of the objectives. The appropriate plan of action, for evolving need based Capacity Building & Training (CB&T) strategy of States, are discussed in each of respective workshops. In these workshops, States are provided with context specific formats for compilation of information, which are collated for deciding future support strategy in the particular area. The report including respective State roadmaps and follow up thereto, are shared with the States for ensuring effectiveness and impact of the workshops.

Details of strategic workshops/ consultations

- a) The Ministry has facilitated State level workshops for developing strategies for the effective implementation of the FFC award. The states thus supported include Assam, Uttarakhand, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana and Jharkhand.
- b) Five (5) days Workshop, organized from 1st to 5th of September 2016, for orientation of State Resource team of Chhattisgarh, on participatory planning for Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP) and integration with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). State level trainers for the States of UP, Uttarakhand, Andhra Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh also participated, along with the teams of National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj (NIRD & PR) and the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.
- c) Finalisation of the Capacity Building framework for participatory planning under (GPDP) and the Training of Trainers (ToT) module, for the State resource teams held at NIRD & PR, Hyderabad.
- d) ToT conducted for State Resource team of Gujarat for the purpose of GPDP.
- e) A National Consultation on SDGs under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister of Panchayati Raj held on 3rd October, 2016 to understand SDG related targets of Central Schemes, and the role PRIs can play in the attainment of such identified targets.
- f) A three days National Writeshop on "Panchayat Roadmap towards attainment of SDGs" organized from 16th to 18th December, 2016 at KILA, Thrissur. The objective of writeshop was to enable States to come up with a clear road map and operational framework for collaboration and convergence in respect of SDGs. Senior faculties of SIRDs/ Officers of PR&RD of 21 States and 4 concerned Central line Ministries participated in this national writeshop.
- g) Gramodaya- Hamara Sankalp – An innovative training programme (Gramodaya-Hamara Sankalp) for Sarpanches and Panchayat Secretaries was organized from 30th November to 2nd December 2016 at Siri Fort Auditorium, Delhi, wherein Technical experts and faculties of reputed academic institutions and officers from various Ministries participated, and held deliberations on Leadership and Motivation, Empowerment of Women, Sanitation, Social audit and financial management, Centrally Sponsored Schemes and Role of Information Technology in empowering the Panchayats. Sarpanches of selected Gram Panchayats also shared good practices for peer to peer learning.