# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3599 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2017

## MoU with UNEGEEW

#### **3599.** SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

a) the details and objectives of the Memorandum of understanding (MoU) signed between the Government and the United Nations Entity of Gender Equality and the Employment of Women (UNEGEEW);

b) whether the programme is intended to be implemented across the country or through a select pilot district; and

c) if so, the details thereof?

## ANSWER

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

(a) The Government has approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to be signed between the Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) and the United Nations Entity of Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women (UNEGEEW) i.e. UN-Women. The overall objective of the MoU is to strength capacities of local governance institutions particularly Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) to better leverage opportunities created for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment through legislation, policies and programmes.

(b) & (c) The programme is to be implemented in partnership with National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR) and State Institutes of Rural Development (SIRDs) in six States i.e. Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Odisha, Karnataka, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh.

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