

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5367
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.04.2017

SERVICES OF EMPLOYEES OF PANCHAYAT

5367. SHRI KUNDARIYA:
SHRI MOHAN BHAI:
SHRI KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government had directed to include the services performed by the employees at village/Panchayat in evaluation of their performance for promotions/rewards;
- b) if so, the details and the objectives thereof;
- c) whether the Government also proposes to introduce ranking and development index for the panchayat;
- d) if so, the details thereof; and
- e) whether the Government proposes to involve women self help groups for audit of rural welfare schemes and if so, the details thereof ?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): 'Panchayat' being in the realm of 'Local Bodies' is a State subject. The engagement of employees for Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) including the services performed by them, their performance, promotions/ rewards etc. are the primary responsibilities of State Governments concerned.

(c) : There is no proposal to introduce ranking and development index for the Panchayat.

(d) Does not arise.

(e): The Government has promoted Self Help Groups (SHGs) under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM) programme mobilizing rural households across the States and UTs. DAY-NRLM as a programme design, promotes community auditors who are essentially either the SHG members, book keepers and / or children of SHG members, to manage and monitor their performance and bring in transparency in financial management. Further, Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) has also issued a detailed advisory on "Panchayat- SHG convergence for Participatory Planning at Gram Panchayat level". This advisory, *inter-alia*, has requested the States for inclusion of SHGs/ federations in community based monitoring of schemes and projects of Gram Panchayat.
