

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 957**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21/12/2017

**Linking Gram Panchayats with Private Organizations**

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Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to link the Gram Panchayats with private organizations for economic development with mutual cooperation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether 50,000 Gram Panchayats have been identified for this purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b) Ministry of Rural Development has informed that 'Mission Antyodaya' is an accountability and convergence framework for transforming lives and livelihoods on measurable outcomes. This is a State-led partnership for rural transformation in identified 5000 rural clusters including 50,000 Gram Panchayats. The Mission framework aims at facilitating sustainable development through convergence approach towards ensuring better delivery of services like health, education, sanitation, connectivity and enhanced capacity of rural citizens.

To achieve this objective, key process under Mission Antyodaya institutionalizes partnerships at Gram Panchayat/Clusters between PRIs, community organizations, NGOs, SHGs institutions and field level functionaries of different departments. Public spirited private organizations can also engage with the GPs for planning and implementation through Expression of Interest by the respective States.

(c) & (d) 50,000 Gram Panchayats have been identified across the States/UTs on the basis of following criteria:

- i. Open Defecation Free (ODF) villages
- ii. Deen Dayal Antyodaya -National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) SHG GPs
- iii. Mission Water Conservation GPs
- iv. Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana GPs
- v. GPs under Rurban Clusters
- vi. Crime free/dispute free GPs
- vii. Award winning Gram Pradhans
- viii. Any other State selected GP for special package

The state wise list of Gram Panchayats selected under Mission Antyodaya is available on the website of Ministry of Rural Development ([www.rural.nic.in](http://www.rural.nic.in)).

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