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# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3224 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2018

## MODEL VILLAGES UNDER SAGY

#### 3224. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:

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

- (a) the extent to which the Government has succeeded in achieving the targets set for a model village for the integrated development of scheduled castes and backward classes under Saansad Aadarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY);
- (b) whether these model villages are not based on the discriminating tendency of including few villages for development while leaving the others;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated and expenditure incurred under the said scheme during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has succeeded in achieving the targets completely since the implementation of the scheme as on date; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a) : An Adarsh Gram evolves out of people's shared vision, using their capacities and available resources to the best extent possible, duly facilitated by the Member of Parliament, the Gram Panchayat, civil society and the government machinery. Naturally, the elements of an Adarsh Gram are context specific. The SAGY Guidelines advocates that proactive steps for inclusion and integration of socially excluded groups, especially Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes are to be included in the activities towards creation of an 'Adarsh Gram'. Accordingly, the Gram Panchayats adopted under SAGY prepared Village Development Plans (VDP) through a participatory process under the guidance of Hon'ble Members of Parliament. The Village Development Plans include prioritised time-bound activities to achieve holistic progress of the village.

(b) : One of the key objectives of SAGY is to generate models of local level development and effective local governance which can motivate and inspire neighbouring Gram Panchayats to learn and adapt. The Gram Panchayats identified under SAGY are nurtured as schools of local development to train other Gram Panchayats.

(c) :Under the SaansadAdarsh Gram Yojana framework, the development of Gram Panchayats is envisaged through convergence and implementation of existing Government Schemes and Programmes under the administrative control of respective Ministries without allocating additional funds.

(d) and (e) : So far 942 Gram Panchayats have uploaded their Village Development Plans (VDP) on the SAGY web-site (http://saanjhi.gov.in/) containing 50,136 projects. Out of these, implementation of 20,830 (42%) projects have been completed as on 12 March 2018. As per the Panchayat Darpan data uploaded by 690 Gram Panchayats on the SaansadAdarsh Gram Yojana portal, remarkable achievements have taken place in many of them: 427 Gram Panchayats under SAGY have achieved 100% of Children Immunization (0-6 age group), 252 Gram Panchayats have reported 100% Institutional delivery, 526 Gram Panchayats have 100% of Days Mid Day Meal (MDM) coverage to schools. Similarly 171 Gram Panchayats reported electricity connection to all Households and 91 Gram Panchayats have safe and secure Housing facility to all Households in the SAGY villages. Likewise, 160 Gram Panchayats have now e-Panchayat Service available at Gram Panchayats Office. Many Gram Panchayats have also made efforts in the area of ensuring social and financial security in their respective Gram Panchayats by enrolling every eligible individual to Government programmes like Jan DhanYojana (174 Gram Panchayats), Atal Pension Yojana (58 Gram Panchayats), Pradhan Mantri Suraksha BimaYojana (85 Gram Panchayats), RashtriyaSwasthyaBimaYojna (70 Gram Panchayats), Widow Pension (332 Gram Panchayats), Old Age Pension (323 Gram Panchayats).

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