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SAGY

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

- (a) whether a huge amount of money will be required for launching a model village identified by Members of Parliament (MPs) under Saansad Aadarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the quantum of funds allocated and released by the Government during the last three years for the State of Manipur, MP-wise; and
- (c) if not, the strategy adopted/to be adopted for effective and timely achievement of the goals under the scheme?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b) : 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.

(c) : The Guidelines for SaansadAdarsh Gram Yojana advocates the following possible strategies in order to convert the identified village into an Adarsh Gram :

- o Awareness generation, social mobilisation and environment creation to energize and mobilize the community towards positive common action.
- o Participatory planning exercise for identifying peoples' needs and priorities in an integrated manner.
- o Converging resources from Central Sector and Centrally Sponsored Schemes and also other State schemes to the extent possible.
- o Leveraging the strengths of Private, Voluntary and Cooperative sectors.
- o Repairing and renovating existing infrastructure to the extent possible.
- o Strengthening the Gram Panchayats and peoples' institutions.
- o Promoting transparency and accountability.
- o Contextualising the operational details locally, expanded as required, and fleshed out with innovative ideas.

The Ministry, inter-alia, has taken following initiatives for better implementation of the scheme:

- A compilation of 223 Central Sector/ Centrally Sponsored and 1,806 State Schemes for convergence under SAGY for the benefit of Members of Parliament, District and Village level officials has been prepared.
- Under the Comprehensive Capacity Building Plan, MoRDorganised training programmes on the preparation of Village Development Plan through participatory planning and related areas of SAGY at eight regional locations across India. Through this, 653 Charge Officers who were designated as the dedicated officers for SAGY Gram Panchayats were trained by the Ministry.
- Developed a 35 point outcome indicator covering basic amenities, education, health, sanitation, livelihood, women empowerment, financial inclusion, food security, social security and e-governance to gauge the impact of SAGY in the Gram Panchayats.
- On the request of the Ministry, various Departments of the Government of India have amended guidelines / issued appropriate advisories to accord priority to SAGY in respect of 22 schemes.
- Published a document named 'SAHYOG' as an indicative guidance document with the essential information on the existing social security schemes collated from respective Ministries to enrich the knowledge of villagers and village level functionaries to achieve 100% enrollment into the social/ financial Security Schemes in SAGY Gram Panchayats.
- Coordinated with other Central Ministries/ Departments for ensuring provision of four key basic services viz. power, drinking water, roads and education in all SAGY Gram Panchayats.
- The Ministry has circulated suggestive template to state governments for preparing proposals for tapping support from Private, Voluntary and Cooperative (PVC) sectors. The proposals received from States/UTs have been displayed on the SAGY website for wider circulation. Further, Ministry has met with the representatives of Industry and Professional Associations linked with Ministry of Corporate Affairs and oriented them on the opportunities presented by SaansadAdarsh Gram Yojana, Mission Antyodaya and other schemes for converging private / corporate investments with the government initiatives for the development of villages.
- Hon'ble Minister, RD has written to Chief Ministers of all States, requesting to encourage effective implementation of SAGY.
- The convergence approach of development under SAGY receives further articulation under the Mission Antyodaya which presents a huge opportunity for SAGY in terms of greater efforts towards saturation of village level needs, promotion of livelihoods and better monitoring.
- The Mission Antyodaya Scorecard data aggregated during the SwachhtaPakhwada in October 2017 has made it possible to identify gaps in physical infrastructure, human development and levels of economic activities in more than 50,000 Gram Panchayats including 779 SAGY Gram Panchayats. The Ministry has prepared gap analysis reports for 696 SAGY Gram Panchayats with respect to DeendayalAntyodayaYojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, DeenDayalUpadhyayaGrameenKaushalyaYojana, Pradhan MantriAwasYojana - Gramin and Pradhan Mantri Gram SadakYojana which have been shared with States/UTs as well as respective programme divisions for appropriate interventions.