

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6335**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2018

**MGNREGS AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION**

**6335. SHRI M. RAJA MOHAN REDDY:**

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

- (a) whether the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) helped in solving poverty and check the migration from rural to urban areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any survey has been conducted in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a)to(d): Several research studies have been conducted on impact of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) on migration and poverty alleviation. Some of the studies that have highlighted positive impacts of MGNREGA are as under:

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2. John, Papp and Imbert Clément (2014), Short-term migration and India's Employment Guarantee Scheme. Mumbai: Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research.
3. Shah, V. D. and M. Makwana (2011), Impact of NREGA on wage rates, food security and rural urban migration in Gujarat. Sardar Patel University.
4. Kumar, P., and I. Maruthi, 'Impact of NREGA on Wage Rate, Food Security and Rural Urban Migration in Karnataka', Report submitted to the Ministry of Agriculture, Bangalore: Agriculture Development and Rural Transformation Centre, Institute for Social and Economic Change, 2011.
5. MGNREGA: A Catalyst for Rural Transformation (2011-12), India Human Development Survey (IHDS), Sonalde Desai, Prem Vashishtha, Omkar Joshi

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