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LOK SABHA
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TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.07.2019

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN RURAL AREAS

4822. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the action initiated by the Government to generate employment opportunities in rural areas of the country in order to stop large scale migration from rural villages to urban and semi-urban areas due to non-sustainability of agriculture sector and for various other reasons; and
- (b) the extent to which these steps have been successful?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): The Government is actively engaged with the State Governments in establishing systems that ensure provision of work as per demand. To generate awareness about the provisions of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) and to provide adequate employment opportunities to rural households under the scheme, all States/UTs have been requested to (i) initiate appropriate Information Education and Communication (IEC) campaigns including wall paintings for wide dissemination of the provisions of the Act, (ii) expand scope and coverage of demand registration system to ensure that demand for work under MGNREGA does not go unregistered, (iii) prepare plans in a participatory mode and approve them in the Gram Sabha, and (iv) prepare realistic labour budget by the State. During the FY 2018-19, 268.07 crore persondays have been generated under MGNREGA.
