

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2298**  
ANSWERED ON 20/12/2022

**VILLAGE AND WARD SECRETARIAT SYSTEM**

2298. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:  
SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the village and ward secretariat system in Andhra Pradesh for better delivery of governance;
- (b) if so, whether it is true that this system has received appreciation from Niti Aayog;
- (c) if so, whether the Government is planning to adopt such a system across the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) to (d): Ministry of Rural Development had commissioned the 6<sup>th</sup> Common Review Mission (CRM) in February, 2022. 6<sup>th</sup> CRM in its report has observed that State Government of Andhra Pradesh has established Village/ Ward Secretariat system for population segment of every 2,000 to provide facilities at one place. The CRM observed that this system helps in implementation of the rural development programmes and delivery of services in rural areas. The report of the CRM has been shared with all stakeholders including NITI Aayog. However, at present, there is no proposal to adopt such a system across the country.

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