GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 70 ANSWERED ON 07/02/2023

CENTRAL TEAMS TO EXAMINE WORK AND EXPENDITURE UNDER MGNREGS

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has appointed central teams in various districts of the country to examine the expenditure incurred by the States and the actual works done by them under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS);
- (b) if so, the details of the teams sent particularly to Sitamarhi, Aurangabad and Bhagalpur of Bihar, Amravatri of Maharashtra, Hugli of West Bengal and Sonipat of Haryana; and
- (c) the details of the report submitted by the said teams particularly related to Bihar, Maharashtra, West Bengal and Haryana, State and district-wise?

ANSWER MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement in reply to Parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 70 for 07.02.2023

(a): In order to monitor the progress of implementation of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, (Mahatma Gandhi NREGA), independent agencies empanelled as National Level Monitors (NLMs) with the Ministry of Rural Development were deputed to conduct a Special Monitoring of Mahatma Gandhi NREGA. NLM Agencies were required to visit the selected districts to observe and monitor the progress made under the programme and assess the quality of implementation therein. The Special monitoring visit has been conducted in three phases. The Phase-I was conducted in the month of January 2022 and covered 90 districts of 11 States. The Phase-II visit was conducted in the month of May, 2022 and covered 115 districts of 26 States. The Phase III visit was conducted in the month of August- September, 2022. It covered 114 districts of 25 States.

(b) & (c): During the NLM team's visit to the districts, each NLM teams comprised of two members from the agencies empanelled by the NLM Division. Observations of the Special Monitoring team for the aforementioned districts are as under:

State	District	Comments
Bihar	Bhagalpur	District not covered during the Special monitoring visit
	Sitamarhi	Majority of the Job Cards checked were found not updated.
		Job Card entries were not matching with the corresponding Muster Roll.
	Aurangabad	7 Registers not maintained in majority of the visited worksites
Haryana	Sonipat	District not covered during the Special monitoring visit
Maharashtra	Amravati	Citizen Information Boards were not found on Majority of the worksites inspected
West Bengal	Hooghly	No specific observation by the team.
