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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1406
ANSWERED ON 12/12/2023**

NATIONAL INDEX FOR VILLAGES

1406. DR. DHAL SINGH BISEN:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to prepare a National Index for development of villages and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the provision for selection of villages under the National Index and the details of the works to be done for the development of villages under the said scheme in the country; and**
- (c) the number of villages which have been or proposed to be covered under the said scheme?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) has released a report on Panchayat Development Index (PDI) to assess and measure the progress made by Grassroots level Institutions in achieving Localized Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and thereby attaining Sustainable Development Goals by 2030, adopting 9 themes. The mechanisms for computation of PDI based on the local indicators of 9 themes is illustrated in the said report and details are available on <https://pdi.gov.in/>. Thematic scores across nine themes of Localised SDGs and the composite PDI score of the Gram Panchayats will help in monitoring of their progress in achieving localized SDGs in all Gram Panchayats in the country.
