GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.331 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.11.2019

DAYS OF EMPLOYMENT UNDER MGNREGA

331. DR. PRITAM GOPINATHRAO MUNDE:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the average days of wage employment provided per household has only been 50, instead of 100 days under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) during the financial year 2018-19;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the names of the States which provided less number of days of employment under MGNREGA, State-wise;
- (d) the steps taken by the Union Government to provide at least 100 days in a year; and
- (e) whether the Government plans to launch a new project under which a stipend of up to Rs. 20,000 will be given to MGNREGA labourers who undergo training in skills such as masonry or carpentry and if so, the present status thereof?

ANSWER MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a)&(b): The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (Mahatma Gandhi NREGA) is a demand driven wage employment programme. It provides livelihood security i.e., fall back option for livelihood for the rural households when no better employment opportunity is available. The employment provided to a household depends on the number of days of wage employment demanded by the household. As per Management Information System (MIS), the average days of wage employment provided per household under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA was 51 days during the financial year 2018-19.
- (c)&(d): State/UT-wise details of average days of employment provided per household under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA during FY 2018-19 is given at **Annexure.** The Government is actively engaged with State Governments in establishing systems that ensure provision of work as per demand, transparency and accountability. To generate awareness about the provisions of the Scheme and to provide adequate employment opportunities to rural households under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS, all States/UTs have been requested for the following:
- (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 Mahatma Gandhi NREGS does not go unregistered.
- (iii) Prepare plans in a participatory mode and approve them in the Gram Sabha.

- (iv) Prepare realistic labour budget by the State.
- (v) Implementation of Software for Estimate Calculation Using Rural Rates for Employment (SECURE)
- (vi) Organize 'Rozgar Diwas' periodically to capture latent demand under the programme and to disseminate awareness about the provisions of the Act.
- **(e):** No, Sir.

Annexure referred in reply to parts (c)&(d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.331 dated 19.11.2019

SI. No.	States/UTs	Average days of employment provided per households during FY 2018-19	
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	58	
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	43	
3	ASSAM	31	
4	BIHAR	42	
5	CHHATTISGARH	57	
6	GOA	13	
7	GUJARAT	46	
8	HARYANA	34	
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	52	
10	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	57	
11	JHARKHAND	42	
12	KARNATAKA	50	
13	KERALA	66	
14	MADHYA PRADESH	52	
15	MAHARASHTRA	47	
16	MANIPUR	23	
17	MEGHALAYA	72	
18	MIZORAM	92	
19	NAGALAND	34	
20	ODISHA	39	
21	PUNJAB	30	
22	RAJASTHAN	57	
23	SIKKIM	54	
24	TAMIL NADU	46	
25	TELANGANA	47	
26	TRIPURA	46	
27	UTTAR PRADESH	42	
28	UTTARAKHAND	45	
29	WEST BENGAL	77	
30	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR	32	
31	LAKSHADWEEP	40	
32	PUDUCHERRY	20	
	National	51	