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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1497
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2020

FUNDING OF SAGY

1497. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and amount of funds raised through various sources for the Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY);
- (b) whether a Committee has been constituted for the purpose of creating operational guidelines for the scheme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government has faced any challenges in implementing the scheme, and if so, the plans to address the said challenges?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): Under the Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana framework, development of Gram Panchayats is envisaged through convergence and implementation of existing Government Schemes and Programmes under the administrative control of respective Ministries without allocating additional funds. No fund is raised, however, mapping of schemes is carried out through convergence during the preparation of Village Development Plans (VDPs).

(b): Guidelines for SAGY were released on 11 October 2014, which are available on the webportal (saanjhi.gov.in) of the Scheme.

(c): The Gram Panchayats adopted under SAGY prepare Village Development Plans (VDP) through a participatory process under the guidance of Hon'ble Members of Parliament. The VDP includes prioritised time-bound activities to achieve holistic and integrated progress of the village. Out of the 1,768 Gram Panchayats identified under SAGY, 1,354 Gram Panchayats have uploaded their VDPs containing 71,030 projects, as per data available on SAGY website (saanjhi.gov.in) as on 05 February 2020 and implementation of 44,272(62%) projects has been completed. The following initiatives have been inter alia taken for better implementation of the Scheme:

- The guidelines of as many as 23 Central Schemes have been amended to accord priority for the SAGY Gram Panchayats. A compilation of 223 Central Sector/ Centrally Sponsored and 1,806 State Schemes for convergence under SAGY for the benefit of Members of Parliament, District and Village level officials has been

prepared and shared with the States/UTs and also uploaded on the scheme portal(saanjhi.gov.in).

- Ministry has published a document named 'SAHYOG' as an indicative guidance document with the essential information on the existing social security schemes collated from respective Ministries to enrich the knowledge of villagers and village level functionaries to achieve 100% enrollment into the social/ financial Security Schemes in SAGY Gram Panchayats.
- An orientation programme on SAGY for the newly elected Hon'ble MPs was organised on 3 December 2019.
- More than 1,300 SAGY functionaries including State Team of Trainers, State Nodal Officers, Charge Officers and other stakeholders have been trained in 2019-20.