GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3799 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2020

GROWTH IN RURAL WAGES

3799. SHRI KUMBAKUDI SUDHAKARAN:

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

- (a) the percentage of growth in rural wages after adjusting for inflation during the last three years and the current year, month-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is of the opinion that the current rural wage rates are adequate to maintain a rural household;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the measures being taken by the Government to increase rural wages?

ANSWER MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): As per the information shared by Ministry of Labour & Employment, Labour Bureau compiles and maintains Consumer Price Index Numbers for Agricultural and Rural Labourers (Base 1986-87=100) (CPI-AL & RL) and average daily wage rate data in respect of selected agricultural and non-agricultural occupations based on the data collected by the Field Operation Division (FOD) of National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) form a fixed set of 600 sample villages spread over 20 states. Month-wise wage rate & percentage of growth rate in wage rate w.r.t previous year in respect of Non Agriculture Occupation along with CPL-RL with effect from January 2016 onwards is at **Annexure-I**.

(b) to (d): As per section 6(1) of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (Mahatma Gandhi NREGA), 2005, the Ministry of Rural Development notifies Mahatma Gandhi NREGA wage rates every year for States/UTs based on Consumer Price Index for Agricultural Labour (CPI-AL) published by Labour Bureau, Shimla to compensate MGNREGA workers against inflation. The wage rates are made applicable from 1st April of each Financial Year. State/UT-wise wage rate under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA during the financial year 2016-17 to 2019-20 is given at **Annexure-II**.

Annexure-I referred in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.3799 dated 17.03.2020

Month-wise wage rate & percentage of growth rate in wage rate w.r.t previous year in respect of Non Agriculture Occupation along with CPL-RL with effect from January 2016 onwards:

				Average CPI-RL for the year	% Growth w.r.t previous					Average CPI-RL for the year	% Growth w.r.t previous
Year	Month	Wage Rate	CPI-RL	2010	year	Year	Month	Wage Rate	CPI-RL	2010	year
2016	January	253.79	854	869	4.82	2018	January	277.31	901	907	2.02
	February	253.52	849				February	278.03	896		
	March	254.53	848				March	278.94	894		
	April	254.75	854				April	279.20	896		
	May	254.79	866				May	279.82	899		
	June	255.70	874				June	280.92	902		
	July	256.78	881				July	282.05	910		
	August	258.33	881				August	284.49	915		
	September	261.89	877				September	285.20	917		
	October	263.15	881				October	285.24	920		
	November	263.70	883				November	286.00	921		
	December	264.50	881				December	287.27	921		
	January	266.38	876	889	2.3	2019	January	288.71	923	963	6.17
	February	267.67	874				February	288.95	925		
	March	268.23	872				March	289.43	932		
	April	268.89	876				April	289.96	939		
2017	May	269.05	878				May	291.20	948		
	June	270.03	884				June	291.82	957		
	July	271.04	890				July	292.08	965		
	August	272.61	900				August	293.22	972		
	September	273.73	899				September	293.29	983		
	October	274.85	907				October	294.09	993		
	November	275.86	910				November	294.62	1006		
	December	275.72	906				December	295.03	1019		

Average CPI-RL for the year 2015 is 829

Annexure-II referred in reply to parts (b)&(c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.3799 dated 17.03.2020

Notified wage rate under MGNREGA from 2016-17 to 2019-20

(in Rs.)

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0	States	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	194	197	205	211	
2	ARUNACHAL	1.50	1.77	177	102	
2	PRADESH	172	177	177	192	
3	ASSAM	182	183	189	193	
4	BIHAR	167	168	168	171	
5	CHHATTISGARH	167	172	174	176	
6	GOA	229	240	254	254	
7	GUJARAT	188	192	194	199	
8	HARYANA	259	277	281	284	
		Non-scheduled	Non-scheduled	Non-scheduled	Non-scheduled	
9	HIMACHAL	Areas-170	Areas-179	Areas-184	Areas-185	
,	PRADESH	Scheduled Areas-	Scheduled Areas-	Scheduled Areas-	Scheduled Areas-	
		213	224	230	231	
	JAMMU AND					
10	KASHMIR	173	179	186	189	
11	JHARKHAND	167	168	168	171	
12	KARNATAKA	224	236	249	249	
13	KERALA	240	258	271	271	
	MADHYA					
14	PRADESH	167	172	174	176	
15	MAHARASHTRA	192	201	203	206	
16	MANIPUR	197	204	209	219	
17	MEGHALAYA	169	175	181	187	
18	MIZORAM	188	194	194	211	
19	NAGALAND	172	177	177	192	
20	ODISHA	174	176	182	188	
21	PUNJAB	218	233	240	241	
22	RAJASTHAN	181	192	192	199	
23	SIKKIM	172	177	177	192	
24	TAMIL NADU	203	205	224	229	
25	TELANGANA	194	197	205	211	
26	TRIPURA	172	177	177	192	
27	UTTAR PRADESH	174	175	175	182	
28	UTTRAKHAND	174	175	175	182	
29	WEST BENGAL	176	180	191	191	
2)		Andaman district-	Andaman	Andaman district-	Andaman district	
	ANDAMAN &	230	district-236	250	250	
	NICOBAR	Nicobar district-	Nicobar district-	Nicobar district-	Nicobar district-	
30		243	249	264	264	
20	DADRA & NAGAR	213	217	201	201	
31	HAVELI	208	218	220	224	
32	DAMAN & DIU	192	195	197	202	
33	LAKSHADWEEP	220	237	248	248	
33	PUDUCHERRY	203	205	248	248	
35	CHANDIGARH	203	265	273	-	