GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 389 ANSWERED ON 15/09/2020

NEW SCHEME DURING COVID 19

389. SHRI POCHA BRAHMANANDA REDDY: SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme has been implemented in the country in the current financial year during the COVID 19 pandemic;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the funds allocated to the State of Andhra Pradesh under this scheme;
- (d) whether any third party independent evaluation has been undertaken for the above scheme; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Rural Development has been implementing schemes such as Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), Deen Dayal Upadhyay – Gramin Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana – Gramin (PMAY-G), Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Shyama Prasad Mukherjee National Rurban Mission (SPMRM) and National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) for development of rural areas through generation of employment, strengthening of livelihood opportunities, promoting of self-employment, skilling of rural youths, provision of social assistance, development of infrastructure etc. The progress of these schemes during 2020-21 is given as follows;

Cab amag	All	India	Andhra Pradesh		
Schemes	Physical	Financial	Physical	Financial	
MGNREGS	<u> </u>	Central fund release: Rs. 60472.66 crore	Person days generated: 2040.74 Lakh	Central fund release: Rs.7042.5 crore	
PMAY-G	Total houses constructed: 1082683	Fund utilised: Rs. 15919.59 crore	Total houses constructed: NIL	Fund utilised:NIL	
PMGSY	Road length completed: 4928 km	Expenditure: Rs. 6,954.43 crore	Road length completed: 99.24 km	Expenditure: Rs.112.99 crore	

DAY-NRLM	SHG promoted:	Central release: Rs.		Central release: Rs.	
	134598		SHG promoted: 82	6/23.9 lakns	
		Fund released: Rs.			
DDU-GKY	Candidates trained:	41170.55 crore	Candidates trained:	Fund released: NIL	
	2,881		NIL		
NSAP	No of beneficiaries:		No of beneficiaries:		
	282 lakhs	Rs. 2814 crore	9.32 lakh	Rs. 93.27 crore	
		Expenditure on		Expenditure on	
SPMRM	No. of clusters	convergence and	No. of clusters	convergence and	
	allotted/ approved:	critical gap fund:	allotted/ approved:	critical gap fund:	
	NIL	Rs.887.77 crore	NIL	Rs.25.81crore	

In addition to the above, the Ministry has taken the following initiatives to mitigate the problems arising out due to COVID-19;

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1.	Pradhan Mantri	On 26.03.2020, Government had announced Rs 1.70 Lakh Crore
	Garib Kalyan	relief package under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana for the
	Yojana	poor to help them fight the battle against Corona Virus. As far as
		Ministry of Rural Development is concerned there are two
		components under the package. (1) To provide ex-gratia of Rs.1000
		in two installments (Rs.500/- each) to the existing old age, widow
		and disabled/Divyangjan beneficiaries of the schemes of National
		Social Assistance Programme (NSAP). The NSAP Division timely
		released a total of Rs. 2814.50 crore as ex-gratia to States/UTs in
		April, 2020 as first tranche and in May, 2020 as second tranche
		under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana (PMGKY) for the
		existing 282 lakh beneficiaries of NSAP schemes. (2) Cash transfer
		of Rs. 500 into the accounts of 20.61 cr. women PMJDY Account
		holders every month for three months. Total amount of Rs.
		30,944.61 cr. has been transferred.
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2.	Aatma Nirbhar	Prime Minister Modi, in his fifth address to India since the national
	Bharat Abhiyan	lockdown, has announced a financial package of Rs 20 lakh crore to
		ease the coronavirus distress. The package is announced under
	<u> </u>	'Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyan' to revive the Indian economy.
a.	Stepping up	Government has made an increase in allocation for MGNREGS by
	Budget of	Rs. 40,000 crores to overcome Covid-19 crises provisioning income
	MGNREGA by	through wage employment. A total of 184 core person days have
	Rs. 40,000 crore	been generated so far in the current FY 2020-21
b.	Hike in wage rate	Hike in wages for manual workers under Mahatma Gandhi National
	under	Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) from Rs. 182 to
	MGNREGA	Rs.202/day in FY20-21
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3.	Garib Kalyan	Further, Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan (GKRA), launched by
	Rojgar Abhiyaan	Hon'ble Prime Minister on 20.06.2020, across six selected states
		across 116 districts with provision of Rs.50,000 crores to provide

(GKRA)	livelihood	opportun	ities t	o rural	citizens,	and	an	expenditure	of
	Rs.23,767.	32 crore	has	been	incurred	in	these	e districts	till
	13.09.2020).							

(d) & (e): The implementation status of the schemes of this Ministry is being reviewed regularly at various levels such as meeting of Performance Review Committee, Common Review Mission, Third Party Evaluation, National Level Monitors, NITI Aayog etc. On the findings of these reviews, actions as appropriate, including restructuring of the schemes are being taken up. However, no third party independent evaluation study has been undertaken so far (including on those particular interventions carried under the schemes, as mentioned above) during the period of COVID-19 pandemic.
