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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 30**  
ANSWERED ON 02.02.2021

IMPLEMENTATION OF MGNREGS

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme(MGNREGS) alongwith the funds allocated, sanctioned and utilised during the last three years and the current year in the country, State-wise including Maharastra, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Tamilnadu;
- (b) the number of persons seeking employment and workers/persons registered/employment generated under MGNREGS during the said period, along with the step taken for the workers who got affected due to COVID-19 crisis/lockdown in the country, State-wise, including Tamilnadu;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to increase the number of persons covered under the scheme and the funds/budget allocation due to increase in work demand and providing more works for boosting the rural economy in the current year and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any provision has been made for SC/ST community under the scheme, if so, the details thereof along with the achievement made in this regard; and
- (e) whether cases of violation of the criteria fixed for the backward classes have come to the notice of the Government, if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard?

**ANSWER**  
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a) The salient features of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS) are detailed at **Annexure-I**.

Mahatma Gandhi NREGS is a demand driven wage employment scheme. Hence no State/UT-wise allocation of funds is made. Fund release to the States/UTs including Maharastra, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Tamilnadu is a continuous process. Central Government is committed to making funds available keeping in view the demand for work. States/UTs-wise details of central funds released and total expenditure, including for the States of Maharastra, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Tamilnadu, during the last three years and the current FY 2020-21 (as on 28.01.2021) under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS is given at **Annexure-II**.

(b) As per information uploaded by the States/UTs including Tamil Nadu in the State/UT-wise number of persons demanded Employment, number of persons registered and number of persons provided employment during the last three years and the current FY 2020-21 (as on 28.01.2021) under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS is given at **Annexure-III**.

Mahatma Gandhi NREGA proved to be a major support to the returning migrant workers during COVID-19 Pandemic mitigating the adverse effects thereof. During the financial year, more than 1.57 crore new job cards have been issued. A rural household, adult members of which agree to unskilled manual work, is entitled for hundred days of wage employment. During FY 2020-21 (as on 31.12.2020), more than 292.62 crore person-days have been generated, which is approximately 47% more than the employment generated during the same period in FY 2019-20. The agreed-to labour budget of 366 crore (as on 31.12.2020) for the current financial year is the highest ever allocation under the programme.

The Central Government, with active support of the State Governments, has so far been able to meet the demands of works with adequate funding. During current financial year, as on 28.01.2021, the Ministry has released Rs. 89231.53 crore to the States & UTs for implementation of Scheme and a total of 314.75 crore Persondays have been generated so far against revised approved Labour Budget 336.04 crore Persondays.

(c) The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS), is a demand driven wage employment programme. A rural household, adult members of which agree to unskilled manual work, is entitled for hundred days of wage employment. Total number of person worked during the current FY 2020-21 (so far) is 10.28 crore which is 30% more than that of the FY 2019-20. Hence no State/UT-wise allocation of funds is made. Fund release to the States/UTs is a continuous process. Central Government is committed to making funds available keeping in view the demand for work. There was a budget allocation of Rs.61,500 crore at BE for Mahatma Gandhi NREGA and Ministry of Finance has now allocated Rs. 1,11,500 crore at RE during 2020-21.

(d) & (e) In addition to the prescribed benefits under the Mahatma Gandhi NREGS, the Ministry has also mandated the provision of additional 50 days of wage employment to every ST household in a forest area, provided that these households have no other private property except for the land rights provided under the Forest Rights Act, 2006. Further, as per Para 5 of Schedule I of the Act provides that “Works creating individual assets shall be prioritized on land or homestead owned by households belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled tribes. The participation of SC/ STs Population under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA during the last three years and current FY 2020-21 (as on 28.01.2021) are as under:

<b>Indicator</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21*</b>
STs person-days % as of total person-days	17.49	17.42	18.41	17.82
SCs personday % as of total persondays	21.56	20.77	19.97	19.84

\*as on 28.01.2021

It has been decided to make special budgetary provision for SC&ST workers' wage payment with effect from FY 2021-22.

No specific case of violation of Mahatma Gandhi NREGS Guidelines related to backward classes people has come to the notice. As the responsibility of implementation of Mahatma Gandhi NREGS is vested with the State Governments/UTs. Whenever any complaint relating to Mahatma Gandhi NREGS is received in the Ministry, the same is forwarded to the concerned State Governments/UTs for taking appropriate and expeditious action as per the provision of Mahatma Gandhi NREGA.

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**Annexure-I referred in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.30 dated 02.02.2021**

- i. Adult members of a rural household, willing to do unskilled manual work, may apply for registration in writing or orally to the local Gram Panchayat.
- ii. The Gram Panchayat after due verification will issue a Job Card free of cost within 15 days.
- iii. The worker has a right to demand and receive work within 15 days of the receipt of the application or the date of the demand in case of advance application, whichever is later, as mandated by the Act.
- iv. In case employment is not provided within fifteen days from the date of registration of the demand for work or the date from which work has been demanded in case of advance applications, whichever is later, the worker is legally entitled to a daily unemployment allowance.
- v. Preparation of Labour Budget (LB) which is an essential annual work plan document that entails planning, approval, funding and project execution modalities.
- vi. The shelf of projects for a village will be recommended by the gram sabha and approved by the zilla panchayat. At least 50% of works will be allotted to Gram Panchayats for execution.
- vii. Permissible works predominantly include water and soil conservation, afforestation and land development works.
- viii. A 60:40 wage and material ratio has to be maintained at the district level. No contractors and labour displacing machinery is allowed.
- ix. The Central Government bears 100 percent wage cost of unskilled manual labour and 75 percent of the material cost including the wages of skilled and semi-skilled workers.
- x. Social Audit has to be done by the Gram Sabha.
- xi. Grievance redressal mechanisms have to be put in place for ensuring a responsive implementation process.
- xii. All accounts and records relating to the Scheme should be available for public scrutiny.

## Annexure-II

## Annexure-II referred in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.30 dated 02.02.2021

(Rs. in lakh)

Central funds released to Mahatma Gandhi NREGA					
S. No	States/UTs	2017-18 #	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 (as on 28.01.21)
1	Andhra Pradesh	512763	657110.67	720472.46	787347.21
2	Arunachal Pradesh	20679.65	19800.64	21020.01	27015.07
3	Assam	112366.54	103097.37	168752.49	182510.06
4	Bihar	246888.44	281936.01	325093.78	552237.25
5	Chhattisgarh	289885.21	289476.07	264031.92	315141.38
6	Gujarat	82505.07	102449.67	74758.23	121487.28
7	Haryana	30140.64	34829.1	33812.58	58292.44
8	Himachal Pradesh	58684.46	75090.72	59748.12	89798.49
9	Jammu and Kashmir	125417.69	79334.12	118370.31	85150.78
10	Jharkhand	135264.57	149989.63	127292.89	256487.55
11	Karnataka	295632.54	297813.1	546271.17	485934.09
12	Kerala	185406.4	234048.78	352016.95	333909.11
13	Madhya Pradesh	376889.92	452909.74	471894.15	737358.86
14	Maharashtra	185828.74	194892.31	167066.42	123455.85
15	Manipur	15778.89	28698.66	61074.66	73756.92
16	Meghalaya	87060.44	78903.38	102443.59	111543.64
17	Mizoram	20081.04	39783.58	52507.57	53983.09
18	Nagaland	110492.88	19322.98	33044.7	48382.14
19	Odisha	219834.66	216328.3	243278.38	443369.44
20	Punjab	61895.86	57826.49	74886.26	98403.99
21	Rajasthan	472828.41	524471.1	726747.87	732133.73
22	Sikkim	10571.15	9586.17	8269.34	8786.70
23	Tamil Nadu	583166.13	488286.16	555969.31	726375.12
24	Telangana	253920.33	295817.48	222132.13	320024.69
25	Tripura	40440.5	43543.49	73113.77	104302.93
26	Uttar Pradesh	369177.65	530494.79	601701.9	989308.73
27	Uttarakhand	71685.06	59004.61	45580.3	76763.38
28	West Bengal	592702.95	718525.61	850761.08	976742.66
29	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	966.07	761.93	583.78	485.89
30	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	484	0	0.00
31	Daman & Diu	0	0	0	0.00
32	Lakshadweep	26.71	15.97	23.82	0.00
33	Puducherry	1569.03	1461.29	1691.87	2573.80
34	Goa	56.05	48.83	216.76	91.34
<b>Total</b>		<b>5570606.7</b>	<b>6086142.8</b>	<b>7104628.6</b>	<b>8923153.61</b>
# including Rs.136890.498 lakh deducted against wage expenditure on account of rejected transaction amount credited back during financial year 2017-18.					

## Expenditure under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA

(Rs. in lakh)

S. No.	States/UTs	Expenditure (Including State Share)			
		2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 (as on 28.01.2021)
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	643555	830601	552789	821537
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	22598.9	21336.1	15876.9	35366.4
3	ASSAM	153079	133847	147630	161104
4	BIHAR	293103	320455	337485	545731
5	CHHATTISGARH	331202	305418	301011	312805
6	GOA	287.9	33.13	134.01	267.25
7	GUJARAT	89474.5	109839	96551.1	109671
8	HARYANA	31977.3	36789.3	38716.8	60888.9
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	56796.6	84952.7	70899.5	84750.1
10	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	115827	82001.5	99883.3	107696
11	JHARKHAND	152927	152140	169996	230426
12	KARNATAKA	272959	360417	474814	467697
13	KERALA	190232	298395	270255	310360
14	LADAKH	3219.94	2731.65	6768.12	4070.38
15	MADHYA PRADESH	425443	540492	494918	737759
16	MAHARASHTRA	230814	238210	182137	139125
17	MANIPUR	19505.7	29470.9	45554.5	97891.4
18	MEGHALAYA	113469	91334.2	109839	105977
19	MIZORAM	21227.9	49303.8	51525.2	48143.5
20	NAGALAND	96963.8	24431.5	39370.3	34592.7
21	ODISHA	251317	231579	283720	476689
22	PUNJAB	63817.6	66979.9	76735.9	99461.6
23	RAJASTHAN	514860	567900	670173	783156
24	SIKKIM	12457.2	9453.7	9111.5	9044.25
25	TAMIL NADU	636265	576695	562133	714773
26	TELANGANA	278746	319200	219332	305922
27	TRIPURA	46722.1	55666.1	85782.7	89774.3
28	UTTAR PRADESH	453021	584563	605587	943873
29	UTTARAKHAND	69242.8	63320.7	55605.7	65278.5
30	WEST BENGAL	802712	805740	749815	926262
31	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	662.26	572.86	458.69	653.96
32	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	0	0	0	0
33	DAMAN & DIU	0	0	0	0
34	LAKSHADWEEP	21.22	26.19	10.56	4.74
35	PUDUCHERRY	1450.52	1573.91	1711.29	2444.91
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6395957</b>	<b>6995468</b>	<b>6826329</b>	<b>8833196</b>

Source: [www.nrega.nic.in](http://www.nrega.nic.in)

Number of Persons seeking employment, registered and provided employment under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA													
S No.	States	FY 2017-18			FY 2018-19			FY 2019-20			FY 2020-21(As on 28.01.2021)		
		Number of Persons demanded Employment	Number of Persons Registered	Number of Persons Provided Employment	Number of Persons demanded Employment	Number of Persons Registered	Number of Persons Provided Employment	Number of Persons demanded Employment	Number of Persons Registered	Number of Persons Provided Employment	Number of Persons demanded Employment	Number of Persons Registered	Number of Persons Provided Employment
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	74.13	177.19	65.12	75.58	178.64	69.11	77.56	182.87	65.01	88.47	189.29	77.70
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	1.73	4.72	1.48	1.81	4.60	1.69	1.92	4.67	1.83	2.35	4.74	2.24
3	ASSAM	29.92	81.97	26.04	28.24	86.04	24.60	32.21	93.29	27.73	32.95	97.51	28.67
4	BIHAR	35.76	229.82	27.02	43.80	243.27	33.82	49.20	261.99	38.64	63.82	280.17	50.25
5	CHHATTISGARH	55.37	89.72	42.77	57.17	91.15	45.69	58.95	95.32	45.44	66.60	97.18	53.53
6	GOA	0.07	0.48	0.07	0.01	0.48	0.01	0.02	0.48	0.02	0.04	0.49	0.04
7	GUJARAT	17.22	84.52	13.94	18.28	87.59	15.17	15.86	91.52	13.26	24.06	95.02	17.77
8	HARYANA	4.94	16.33	3.96	4.14	17.04	3.27	4.60	18.17	3.64	7.37	19.83	6.03
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	7.36	23.01	6.71	8.04	23.64	7.36	7.93	24.57	7.16	8.88	25.37	8.19
10	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	11.65	22.23	10.11	11.27	22.70	9.81	10.94	23.46	9.22	9.52	22.88	7.96
11	JHARKHAND	27.13	80.20	19.08	21.54	84.56	16.24	21.87	90.29	17.63	40.15	103.73	28.37
12	KARNATAKA	46.24	138.29	38.91	46.03	143.42	39.34	47.61	152.43	41.10	59.56	162.28	51.80
13	KERALA	16.72	52.39	14.71	19.12	54.97	17.08	18.62	57.21	16.54	19.75	59.60	17.48
14	LADAKH	NA*	NA*	NA*	NA*	NA*	NA*	0.38	0.56	0.37	0.37	0.55	0.35
15	MADHYA PRADESH	76.55	166.59	60.98	85.52	170.33	66.74	77.86	188.60	61.72	123.41	186.92	95.21
16	MAHARASHTRA	36.34	213.58	31.40	38.05	218.66	32.76	32.58	224.20	27.46	30.93	230.04	25.14
17	MANIPUR	5.47	10.41	5.27	5.98	10.58	5.70	6.08	10.90	5.90	6.03	10.68	5.80
18	MEGHALAYA	6.08	11.37	5.91	6.94	11.55	6.80	7.30	11.88	7.15	6.97	12.03	6.67
19	MIZORAM	2.07	3.43	2.07	2.03	2.43	2.03	2.09	2.45	2.09	2.23	2.21	2.21
20	NAGALAND	4.62	7.55	4.54	4.38	7.56	4.17	4.30	7.34	4.26	4.17	7.39	4.13
21	ODISHA	44.30	164.80	37.55	39.28	167.26	33.67	43.70	177.27	37.35	76.15	184.03	56.49
22	PUNJAB	9.92	24.66	8.10	10.83	26.66	8.24	11.69	28.77	9.08	12.81	30.81	10.59
23	RAJASTHAN	76.77	232.14	65.31	90.64	238.12	75.37	95.67	247.52	80.59	117.63	258.76	101.64
24	SIKKIM	0.79	1.35	0.74	0.78	1.38	0.72	0.74	1.41	0.68	0.77	1.42	0.72
25	TAMIL NADU	69.10	118.98	68.29	69.36	122.27	65.25	68.71	127.92	64.89	79.49	130.16	75.78
26	TELANGANA	56.31	115.51	43.44	50.32	117.99	42.52	50.07	121.41	40.75	62.05	117.50	52.37
27	TRIPURA	7.49	10.72	7.07	7.73	10.89	7.39	8.14	11.20	7.84	8.24	11.18	7.98
28	UTTAR PRADESH	71.72	233.20	60.40	73.21	243.94	61.51	78.57	262.79	64.54	148.67	304.26	108.85
29	UTTARAKHAND	7.35	17.59	6.63	7.06	18.02	6.38	7.35	19.42	6.61	9.03	20.62	8.17
30	WEST BENGAL	92.45	274.00	81.01	84.26	278.84	74.42	90.98	294.50	79.69	125.52	311.86	110.60
31	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	0.09	0.54	0.08	0.08	0.54	0.07	0.08	0.52	0.07	0.11	0.50	0.09
32	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	0.0000	0.2572	0.0000	0.0000	0.2593	0.0000	0.0000	0.2593	0.0000	0.0000	0.2606	0.0000
33	DAMAN & DIU	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
34	LAKSHADWEEP	0.0025	0.1618	0.0014	0.0028	0.1604	0.0026	0.0014	0.1609	0.0012	0.0009	0.1611	0.0007
35	PUDUCHERRY	0.49	1.41	0.41	0.43	1.44	0.36	0.51	1.49	0.43	0.6246	1.5330	0.5334
Total		896.15	2,609.11	759.13	911.92	2,686.98	777.32	934.09	2,836.85	788.70	1,238.69	2,980.98	1,023.36

Source: www.nrega.nic.in,

\*NA=Not Applicable