

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
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FUNDS FOR RURAL AREAS

3322. SHRI DEVENDRA SINGH BHOLE:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes implemented along with the amount of funds provided to make the rural areas self reliant;
- (b) whether the funds allocated during the last five years have been utilized completely; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing various schemes/programmes to bring about overall improvement in the quality of life of the people in rural areas and make them self reliant through employment generation, strengthening of livelihood opportunities, promoting self-employment, skilling of rural youths, provision of social assistance and other basic amenities. The details of the schemes/programmes implemented by the Ministry of Rural Development are given below:

(i) Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme: The principal objective of the scheme is to provide for the enhancement of livelihood security of the households by providing at least one hundred days of guaranteed wage employment in every financial year to every rural household whose adult members volunteer to do unskilled manual work. It stresses on creation of durable and sustainable assets to make the beneficiaries self-dependant.

(ii) Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM): The Ministry is implementing DAY-NRLM to tackle the problem of unemployment, especially among women, in a mission mode with the objective of organizing the rural poor women into Self Help Groups (SHGs) and continuously nurturing and supporting them to take up economic activities till they attain appreciable increase in income over a period of time to improve their quality of life and come out of abject poverty. Besides, Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP), the sub-scheme under DAY-NRLM, has the objective of helping Self Help Group (SHG) and their family members to set-up small enterprises in the non-farm sector.

(iii) Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) and Rural Self Employment and Training Institutes (RSETIs): The Ministry is implementing two Skill development initiatives for rural poor youth under National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) to improve the economic condition of the rural population, namely, Deen Dayal Upadhyaya

Grameen Kaushal Yojana (DDU-GKY), a placement linked skill development scheme for rural poor and Skill development through Rural Self Employment and Training Institutes (RSETI), which provides skilling, thereby enabling the trainee to take bank credit and start his/her own Micro-enterprise. Some of such trainees may also seek regular salaried jobs.

(iv) Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G): PMAY-G aims to provide a pucca house with basic amenities to all rural houseless households and households living in kutcha and dilapidated houses in rural areas. The target under PMAY-G is to construct 2.95 crore houses during the period 2016-17 to 2021-22.

(v) Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY): PMGSY was started in the year 2000 with the objective to provide all-weather road connectivity to eligible unconnected habitations. The mandate of the scheme was subsequently widened and new interventions viz. PMGSY-II and PMGSY-III were added for upgradation of the existing rural road network which connect habitations to the various facilities and services. The implementation of the ongoing PMGSY has helped immensely in lifting the socio-economic conditions of rural masses by providing them access to the various services and facilities, market place and employment opportunities in various forms.

(vi) National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP): It is a social welfare programme for the aged, widows, disabled and in the cases of death of the primary breadwinner belonging to Below Poverty Line (BPL) Households. It is 100% centrally funded Central Sponsored Schemes (CSS) implemented in the entire country including rural and remote areas.

(vii) Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Rurban Mission (SPMRM): The Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission (SPMRM) launched in 2016, is a scheme with the objective to stimulate local economic development, enhance basic services, and create well planned Rurban clusters. The mission takes cluster as a unit for development. 300 Clusters from all the States/ UTs are selected in the first phase of the Mission in Tribal and Non-Tribal categories. SPMRM provides the Critical Gap Funding to the projects which directly or indirectly bring economic growth. SPMRM aims to provide amenities in four categories viz Basic, Economic, Social and Digital and promotes economic growth through integrated and balanced investments with social inclusion.

(viii) Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY): Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) was launched on 11 October 2014. Under the SAGY framework, the development of Gram Panchayats is envisaged through effective convergence and implementation of existing development Schemes of Government under the administrative control of respective Ministries without allocation of any additional fund.

Budget Allocation and Expenditure Statement in respect of Rural Development Schemes for the last 5 years is at **Annexure**. Most of the funds allocated for rural development schemes are utilized by the State/UT Administrations.

The funds are released to States/UTs in accordance with the programme guidelines based on their absorption capacity and utilization of available funds. The Department has been constantly pursuing the issue with the States/UT governments through Performance Review Committee Meetings to tackle the problem of unspent balances and to ensure timely disbursement and sound financial management. Plan Finance Management System (PFMS) has also been implemented to ensure smooth fund flow management, reduce unspent balances and minimize leakages etc.

Annexure

Annexure referred in statement in reply to part (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3322 due for answer on 16.03.2021.

Funds allocated and expenditure incurred under the Scheme of Department of Rural Development during financial year 2015-16 to 2019-20.

| Budget allocation & Expenditure sanctioned from 2015-16 to 2019-20 | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------|------------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| <i>(Rs. In crores)</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| Scheme | Financial Year-2015-16 | | Financial Year-2016-17 | | Financial Year-2017-18 | | Financial Year-2018-19 | | Financial Year-2019-20 | |
| | RE | Exp. | RE | Exp. | RE | Exp. | RE | Exp. | RE | Exp. |
| NATIONAL RURAL EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE SCHEME (MGNREGS) | 37,345.95 | 34,699.00 | 48,220.26 | 48,215.33 | 55,167.06 | 55,166.75 | 61830.09 | 61815.08 | 71706.76 | 71698.90 |
| DEENDAYAL ANTYODAYA YOJANA - NATIONAL RURAL LIVELIHOOD MISSION (DAY-NRLM) | 2,505.00 | 2,505.00 | 3,168.15 | 3,158.02 | 4,350.84 | 4,327.81 | 5783.50 | 5783.58 | 9024.02 | 9023.51 |
| NATIONAL SOCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME (NSAP) | 9,082.00 | 9,082.00 | 8,856.44 | 8,854.07 | 8,744.41 | 8,695.56 | 8467.46 | 8418.47 | 8692.41 | 8692.41 |
| PRADHAN MANTRI AWAS YOJNA – GRAMIN (PMAY-G) | 10,025.00 | 10,025.00 | 16,078.60 | 16,074.37 | 22,832.31 | 22,572.29 | 19600.00 | 19307.83 | 18455.21 | 18119.61 |
| PRADHAN MANTRI GRAM SADAK YOJANA (PMGSY) | 14,291.00 | 14,291.00 | 18,701.35 | 17,922.87 | 16,900.00 | 16,862.14 | 15500.00 | 15414.14 | 14045.75 | 14017.49 |
| SHYAMA PRASAD MUKHERJEE RURBAN MISSION (SPMRM) | 300.00 | 300.00 | 600.00 | 599.44 | 600.00 | 553.25 | 451.03 | 426.72 | 303.88 | 303.75 |
