

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1567
ANSWERED ON 26/07/2022

ROLE OF PANCHAYAT IN SDGS

1567. DR. AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government agrees with the view that Panchayats have a pivotal role to play in integrated rural development by focusing on the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) which are subsumed under nine themes to ensure poverty-free, clean, healthy, child-friendly, and socially secured well-governed villages; and
- (b) if so, the details of the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ

(SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL)

(a) & (b) Yes Sir. Ministry of Panchayati Raj has been implementing Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) scheme which mandates to capacitate elected representatives and functionaries to deliver on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through participatory local planning at the Gram Panchayat level. Ministry has adopted thematic approach for the Localization of SDGs with nine themes integrating all 17 SDGs as per the recommendations of the Expert Group constituted by the Ministry. In furtherance to this, inter-ministerial consultations with the Nodal Ministries, regional workshops with States and consultative meeting with UN Agencies had been held to reinforce the collaborative endeavour for localizing SDGs through PRIs. Ministry is continuously working with the States and other stakeholders to take forward the LSDG at grossroot level.
