

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 217
ANSWERED ON 06/08/2024**

RICE DISTRIBUTION AS PART OF PAYMENT UNDER MGNREGS

***217 SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:**

DR. AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering the proposal from the Food Department to distribute rice as part of payment under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;**
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any pilot projects or studies to assess the feasibility of rice distribution as part of payment under MGNREGS, if so, the details and findings thereof; and**
- (c) whether the Government has consulted with various stakeholders, including workers and farmers regarding this proposal, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN)**

(a): No.

(b)&(c): Does not arise.
