GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1374 ANSWERED ON 03/12/2024

LAKHPATI DIDIS & SHGS

1374. SHRI KOTA SRINIVASA POOJARY: SHRI CHAMALA KIRAN KUMAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENTbe pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total number of women who have benefited from the LakhpatiDidi and Nano Didi initiatives, State-wise and category-wise (SC/ST/OBC);
- (b) the details of the number of Self-Help-Groups (SHGs) benefited under the programme and the timeline for coverage of remaining SHGs State-wise; and
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any assessments on the economic independence of these women following the programme, if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. CHANDRA SEKHAR PEMMASANI)

(a): The DeendayalAntodayaYojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) is a centrally sponsored scheme of the Ministry of Rural Development. This is being implemented across the country (except Delhi & Chandigarh) with the objective to alleviate rural poverty inter-alia, through organizing the rural poor women into Self Help Groups (SHGs) and continuously nurturing and supporting them till they attain appreciable increase in income over a period of time, improve their quality of life and come out of abject poverty. LakhpatiDidi initiative is one of the outcomes of DAY-NRLM. A structured approach has been adopted to make the Self-Help Group (SHG) members Lakhpati, i.e. they earn minimum income of Rupees one lakh per year on a sustainable basis. The State/UT- wise number of LakhpatiDidis is placed at *Annexure-I*. The category-wise data is not being maintained in the Ministry.

The NAMO drone Didi Scheme of Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare aims to provide drones to 15,000 SHG members under the DAY-NRLM from 2023-24 to 2025-26. During the year 2023-24, the fertilizer companies through their own resources have distributed 503 drones to SHG Members. State-wise details are placed at *Annexure-II*.

(b): Under DAY-NRLM, 10.05 crore women have been mobilized into 90.87 lakh SHGs till October, 2024. The DAY NRLM is a process driven program where various benefits, e.g., Revolving Fund, Community Investment Fund, Bank Linkage etc. are extended to the SHGs as per their eligibility and their demands.

(c): The Ministry has commissioned impact evaluation studies to understand the implication on financial independence of SHG women through the interventions under the DAY-NRLM. An impact evaluation study of DAY-NRLM was conducted during 2019-20 by the International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie) with the support of the World Bank. The evaluation indicates following major findings:

i. Increase in income by 19% over the base amount.

ii. Decline in share of informal loans by 20%

iii. Increase in savings by 28%

iv. Improvedlabour force participation - proportion of females reporting secondary occupation is higher (4%) in treatment areas.

v. Improved access to other Schemes - Significant increase in number of social schemes availed by treatment households (6.5% higher over the base value of 2.8 schemes).

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Annexure - I

Annexure – I referred in reply to Part (a) of LokSabhaUnstarred Question No.1374 for answer on 03.12.2024 regarding LakhpatiDidis& SHGs

S. No	State	No. of LakhpatiDidis
1	Andaman & Nicobar islands	482
2	Andhra Pradesh	14,87,631
3	Arunachal Pradesh	5,057
4	Assam	5,18,359
5	Bihar	13,47,649
6	Chhattisgarh	3,37,097
7	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	2,021
8	Goa	866
9	Gujarat	5,38,760
10	Haryana	62,743
11	Himachal Pradesh	40,417
12	Jammu & Kashmir	43,050
13	Jharkhand	3,51,808
14	Karnataka	2,36,315
15	Kerala	2,84,616
16	Lakshadweep	60
17	Madhya Pradesh	10,51,069
18	Maharashtra	10,04,338
19	Manipur	15,559
20	Meghalaya	39,976
21	Mizoram	17,167
22	Nagaland	12,294
23	Odisha	5,37,350
24	Puducherry	7,546
25	Punjab	31,700
26	Rajasthan	2,70,405
27	Sikkim	7,794
28	Tamil Nadu	3,18,101
29	Telangana	7,58,693
30	Tripura	58,495
31	Ladakh	51,903
32	Uttar Pradesh	8,41,923
33	Uttarakhand	37,178
34	West Bengal	11,81,852

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Annexure – II

Annexure - II referred in reply to Part (a) of LokSabhaUnstarredQuestionNo.1374foransweron03.12.2024regardingLakhpatiDidis& SHGs

Drones provided to States under Namo Drone Didi Scheme		
S.No	State	No. of Drones
1	Andhra Pradesh	97
2	Assam	9
3	Bihar	5
4	Chhattisgarh	12
5	Gujarat	18
6	Haryana	22
7	Himachal Pradesh	4
8	Jharkhand	1
9	Karnataka	84
10	Kerala	2
11	Madhya Pradesh	34
12	Maharashtra	30
13	Odisha	12
14	Punjab	23
15	Rajasthan	19
16	Tamil Nadu	17
17	Telangana	72
18	Uttar Pradesh	32
19	Uttarakhand	3
20	West Bengal	7
Total		503

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