

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**LOK SABHA
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SEASONAL MIGRATION

2726. Shri Sachithanantham R:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has taken measures to collect real-time data on seasonal migration and its effect on rural households, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for the absence of such tracking despite repeated demands; and**
- (b) the details and the measures taken by the Ministry to address rise in rural poverty levels as indicated by various independent studies?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI KAMLESH PASWAN)**

(a): As per the information provided by the Ministry of Labour and Employment, Migration of workers from one State to another State is a continuous process and dynamic in nature. The Ministry of Labour and Employment has also launched e-Shram portal, a National Database of the Unorganised Workers on 26th August, 2021. The main objective of the e-Shram portal is to create a national database of unorganised workers including migrant workers seeded with Aadhaar. As on 10th December 2025, over 31.41 crore of unorganised workers including migrant workers have registered on e-Shram portal.

In order to safeguard the interest of the Migrant workers, Inter-State Migrant Workmen (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Services) Act, 1979 provides for registration of certain establishments employing Inter-State Migrant Workers and licensing of contractors. Workers employed with such establishment are to be provided payment of minimum wages, journey allowance, displacement allowance, residential accommodation, medical facilities and protective clothing etc.

(b): To address rural poverty, the Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) is implementing a number of welfare schemes/programmes such as Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAYG), Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), DeenDayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDUGKY), Rural Self Employment Training Institutes(RSETIs), National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) and Watershed Development Component (WDC) of the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (WDC-PMKSY) for overall development of rural areas of the country. These schemes/programmes aim to alleviate poverty and to bring about overall improvement in the quality of life of the people in rural areas of the country by strengthening livelihood opportunities, providing minimum guaranteed employment, promoting self-employment, skilling of youths in various useful trades and entrepreneurship qualities, infrastructure development and provision of social assistance.
