

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1191**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.03.2016

**EMPLOYMENT TO PEOPLE ABOVE POVERTY LINE**

**1191. SHRIMATI SAKUNTALA LAGURI:**

Will the Minister of **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the percentage of self-employed persons and self-employed groups in Odisha is the lowest in the country in case of people living Above Poverty Line (APL);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and thereasons therefor; and
- (c) the efforts made by the Government to bring the percentage of such persons and groups in Odisha at par with the average percentage of the country and the success achieved therefrom?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**  
**(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)**

(a) to (c): Data on the self employed persons and self-employed groups in Odisha, in respect of people living Above Poverty Line (APL) is not being maintained at Central Level by this Ministry. However, under the National Rural Livelihoods Mission (since renamed as DeendayalAandayodayaYojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission [DAY-NRLM]), Rural Self Employment Training Institutes [RSETIs] provide self-employment training and subsequent handholding support for their settlement to the rural poor including the BPL. During the current financial year, as on 31.12.2015, the RSETIs in Odisha have trained 16,158 candidates for self-employment out of the annual target of 19,500 candidates andalso settled 12,965 candidates,i.e. 80%, during this period.

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