GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPAERTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 176

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FUNDS UNDER NRLM

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

- (a) the allocation of funds along with criteria adopted for such allocations under the National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) during the last three years and the current year:
- (b) whether the said allocation is sufficient to meet the laid down targets, if so, the details in this regard; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to make the mission more rationale through mobilisation of poor into Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and promotion of the livelihoods of the poor through appropriate technical and capital support?

ANSWER MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BIRENDER SINGH)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

- (a) to (c): The Government is implementing National Rural Livelihoods Mission, renamed as Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY NRLM) across the country in a mission mode with the objective of organizing the rural poor women into Self Help Groups (SHGs), and continuously nurturing and supporting them till they attain appreciable increase in incomes over a period of time and improve their quality of life and come out of abject poverty. It aims to cover all the States and Union Territories (except Delhi and Chandigarh) and seeks to reach out to all rural poor women in a phased manner by the year 2024-25. The SHGs are given the requisite technical and financial support. The financial support given to them is as under:-
- (i) Revolving Fund (RF) is given to SHGs at the rate of Rs. 10,000 to Rs. 15,000 per SHG;
- (ii) Community Investment Fund (CIF) is allowed upto Rs. 2.50 lakh per SHG;
- (iii) Interest Subvention is allowed for a loan up to Rs. 3 lakh to all DAY-NRLM SHG.

Under DAY-NRLM, the funds allocated as per Budget Estimate (B.E.), Revised Estimate (R.E) and funds actually released during the last three years and the current financial year is given below:-

(Rs. in crore)

Sl.No.	Year	B.E.	R.E.	Actual Release
2	2013-14	4000.00	2600.00	1822.11
3	2014-15*	4000.00	2186.42	2102.69
4	2015-16**	2705.00	2705.00	2504.07
5	2016-17***	3000.00		350.28

^{*}This includes provision of Rs. 400 Crore for the DRDA Administration Scheme which has been brought under NRLM budget from 2014-15.

^{**} Includes Rs. 200.00 Crore for "Startup Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP)", Rs.255 Crore for DRDA Administration.

^{***} This also includes Rs.255 Crore for DRDA Administration Rs. 35 Crore for PMRDF and Rs. 80 crore for SVEP.

The criteria adopted for allocation of funds to States is as under:-

Sl.No.	Year	Criteria adopted for allocation of funds to States	Name of States where applicable
1.	2013-14	Inter-se poverty ratio among all states as determined by the erstwhile Planning Commission	All States except Jammu & Kashmir. A special package was approved for J&K to enable coverage of 2/3 rd of their vulnerable rural households and the 2 nd Instalment during the year was released based on the special package.
2.	2014-15	 a) Inter-se poverty ratio among all states as determined by the erstwhile Planning Commission. b) On demand basis to enable coverage of 2/3 of rural households. 	a) All States except Jammu & Kashmir. b) Jammu & Kashmir
3.	2015-16	a) Inter-se poverty ratio among all states as determined by the erstwhile Planning Commission.	a) All States except Jammu & Kashmir, and NE states. A special package was approved for the NE states other than Assam, to enable coverage of 2/3 rd of their vulnerable rural households and additional funds were released during the year based on the special package.
		b) On demand basis to enable coverage of 2/3 of rural households	b) Jammu & Kashmir, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, & Tripura.
4.	2016-17	a) Inter-se poverty ratio among all states as determined by the erstwhile Planning Commission.	a) All States, except Jammu & Kashmir, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, & Tripura.
		b) On demand basis to enable coverage of 2/3 of rural households	b) Jammu & Kashmir, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, & Tripura.

From the above statement relating to B.E., R.E. and actual release of funds, it is clear that availability of funds is not a constraint for the implementation of DAY-NRLM so far. However, during the meetings of the Empowered Committee (EC) of MoRD held in March, 2016 to consider and approve the Annual Action Plans of all states under NRLM for the year 2016-17,

some of the States expressed the need for higher allocation of funds on account of high level of mobilisation of rural poor women into their institutions under NRLM in all states and also to meet the expenses for further expansion of the programme in the hitherto uncovered blocks. Depending upon the performance of each State, the Ministry may seek more funds at the time of Revised Estimate 2016-17 stage.

A statement indicating the physical progress of DAY – NRLM during the last three years is enclosed as **Annexure I**. The funds requirement in the first few years was low because in the initial years the states were required to set up their State Rural Livelihoods Missions along with the necessary trained professionals at different levels and also put in place all systems required for effective programme implementation like the Financial Management systems, Monitoring systems etc. All this took a lot of time and actual work of social mobilisation and institution building could be initiated only thereafter. From the year 2015-16, the achievements against targets have improved considerably. Simultaneously, the fund requirement has also gone up. During 2016-17, Rs. 3000 crore has been allocated for DAY-NRLM.

Annexure-I

Physical progress of DAY – NRLM

	No. of Self Help Groups Promoted		Revolving Fund (RF)				Community Investment Fund (CIF)			
Year			Target		Achievements		Target		Achievements	
	Target	Achievement	No. of Self Help Groups	Amount in lakh	No. of Self Help Groups	Amount Disbursed in lakh	No. of Self Help Groups	Amount in lakh	No. of Self Help Groups	Amount Disbursed in lakh
2013-	31342									
14	7	181931	38330	4500.50	66288	9268.83	18534	6415.5	16896	9075.37
2014-	27970	107076	122200	10774 20	00200	14011.63	75814	42621.0	48020	27843.19
15	/	187076	133290	19774.30	98309	14011.03	75814	43631.9	48920	27843.19
2015-	30308									
16	6	344412	157874	18093.80	158116	22371.81	188318	88958.95	112779	46587.51
	89622							139006.3		
Total	0	713419	329494	42368.60	322713	45652.27	282666	5	178595	83506.08