GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 843 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.04.2016

MGNREGS AND LABOUR CRISIS

843. SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT: SHRI ADHALRAO PATIL SHIVAJIRAO: SHRI BAIJAYANT JAY PANDA:

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

- (a) whether the Union Government is aware about the labour crisis caused due to MGNREG Scheme in the agricultural sector, if so, the details thereof and the steps contemplated thereon;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to provide additional assistance to the drought affected States under MGNREG Scheme, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to include agricultural work under MGNREG Scheme and an increase in the work days under the scheme, if so, the details thereof and the time by which a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken;
- (d) whether the Government has allocated Rs. 12,230 crore to the States under MGNREG Scheme recently, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the details of manner in which the said funds are likely to be utilised?

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

(a): Ministry of Rural Development with UNDP has consolidated the available independent research published between 2012-14 in MGNREGA Sameeksha II wherein the analysis shows that, the impact of Mahatma Gandhi NREGA on rural labour markets is complex and context specific. It is not as simplistic as a direct causation. This is because, India is a diverse country, with different states having different features in the rural economy. Further, it states that MGNREGA attempt to stem distress migration from rural to urban areas for the most marginalized and the vulnerable populations.

(b)&(c): The Ministry of Rural development provides 50 days of additional employment in notified areas of drought affected States under MGNREGS.

Accordingly, on recommendation of the Ministry of Agriculture, provision of additional employment of 50 days over and above 100 days per household under MGNREGA has been made in the notified drought affected areas of the following States during FY 2015-16. The details State-wise are as under:

S. No.	Name of State/ total number of districts	No. of districts/talukas
1	Karnataka	136 taluks
2	Chhattisgarh	93 tehsils
3	Madhya Pradesh	268 tehsils
4	Odisha	215 blocks
5	Andhra Pradesh	359 mandals
6	Uttar Pradesh	50 districts
7	Telangana	231 mandals
8	Maharashtra	12183 GPs
9	Jharkhand	All the 24 districts
10	Rajasthan	2900 GPs

Further, by the Notification dated 21st July, 2014, provision has been made that at least 60% of the works to be taken up in a district in terms of cost under MGNREGA shall be for creation of productive assets directly linked to agriculture and allied activities through development of land, water and trees.

(d)&(e): MGNREGA is a demand driven wage employment programme and funds are released to the States /UTs on the basis of agreed to Labour Budget. Hence no allocation is made to the States/UTs. During the current FY 2016-17, Budget Provision is Rs.38500 crore and Vote on Account provision is Rs.19664 crore.

During the current financial year 2016-17, Ministry has released Rs. 15984.09 crore to States/UTs for liquidating the pending liability of wage component of FY 2015-16 and for running the programme during FY 2016-17. State/UT wise release position is attached at **Annexure.**

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (d)&(e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 843 dated 28.04.2016

(Rs. In lakh)

S.	States	Central funds
No.	States	released to
INU.		MGNREGA States
1	Andhra Pradesh	during 2016-17
		282042.20
2	Arunachal Pradesh	6984.60
3	Assam	14149.75
4	Bihar	18693.08
5	Chhattisgarh	102119.70
6	Gujarat	5120.40
7	Haryana	1776.69
8	Himachal Pradesh	4376.30
9	Jammu & Kashmir	36272.32
10	Jharkhand	78916.70
11	Karnataka	61685.19
12	Kerala	52115.24
13	Madhya Pradesh	140716.20
14	Maharashtra	81729.80
15	Manipur	0.00
16	Meghalaya	42350.20
17	Mizoram	1992.14
18	Nagaland	44232.00
19	Orissa	47710.70
20	Punjab	12406.46
21	Rajasthan	61787.13
22	Sikkim	2753.70
23	Tamilnadu	74976.60
24	Telangana	120299.90
25	Tripura	4380.53
26	Uttar Pradesh	51195.74
27	Uttaranchal	7940.87
28	West Bengal	239130.40
29	Andaman & Nicobar	145.83
30	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	0.00
31	Daman & Diu	0.00
32	Lakshadweep	0.00
33	Pondicherry	297.80
34	Chandigarh	0.00
34	Goa	111.00
	Total	1598409.18
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