

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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WORKSHOP ON LAND RESOURCES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a workshop was organized by the Land-Resources Department under the Ministry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of representatives attended this workshop and the expenditure incurred thereon; and
- (d) the decision taken thereon and accepted by the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) : Yes Sir; The Department of Land Resources (DoLR), Ministry of Rural Development(MoRD) organized a workshop on ` Study on Rural Poverty, Diversification and Access to Natural Resources in the context of Sustainable Livelihoods` in collaboration with Overseas Development Institute (ODI),and DFID London. The Study is being conducted by a Consortium led by the ODI. The Workshop was held in Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi, on 30th June and 1st July, 2000.

(c) : The participants were from the Central Government, selected State Governments, NGOs, and Institutes involved in the field of land resource management. A few participants from United Kingdom, Bangladesh and Nepal also joined the workshop .The total expenditure incurred on this workshop by DoLR was approximately Rs. 1.26 lakhs. The entire expenditure on the TA/DA , boarding , lodging and transportation of the international and national experts (NGOs etc.) was borne by ODI/ DFID, London.

(d) : The Workshop was convened to gather the inputs for the proposed research study. As such, no decision is required to be taken by the Government.