

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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MERGER OF POVERTY ALLEVIATION SCHEMES AND EMPLOYMENT
MANSINH PATEL

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to merge poverty alleviation programmes with employment generation schemes and to increase financial allocation therefor;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the revised programme is likely to be implemented;
- (c) whether the Government have assessed the reasons for the failure of poverty alleviation programmes; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government for effective implementation of poverty alleviation programmes?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA)

- (a) & (b): Employment generation schemes form a part of poverty alleviation programmes.
- (c) & (d): The poverty alleviation schemes have not been a failure. The Government have initiated steps for increased involvement of Panchayati Raj Institutions in the poverty alleviation programmes in order to make the implementation of these schemes more effective.