

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2234
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ECONOMIC GROWTH OF RURAL CLUSTERS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is in favour of a proposal envisaged development of the economic growth clusters in rural areas for faster economic growth in the next five years;
- (b) if so, whether Government had already approved concept of sharing growth clusters and 50000 rural clusters had been identified for the purpose;
- (c) if so, the time by which the final decision for three proposals are to be taken;
- (d) whether rural areas have been selected for faster growth; and
- (e) if so, the details of the same ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) to (e) The proposal has been discussed at various levels, but it has not yet been finalized.