

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN PUNJAB
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of major poverty alleviation programmes and Rural Development Schemes undertaken in the State of Punjab during the last three years and till date;
- (b) the achievements made under these programmes in the State with compared to the national average;
- (c) the specific programmes drawn up for the Tenth Plan to bring down poverty ratio in Punjab; and
- (d) the funds released and the achievements made under various schemes during the last three years and till date ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. NARENDRA)

(a) The Ministry of Rural Development has been implementing the majors schemes, namely, the Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY), the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), and the Integrated Wasteland Development Programme (IWDP), the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) and the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) in the State of Punjab during the last three years. The main objective of the Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) is to bring the assisted poor families above the poverty line by provided them with income generating opportunities through a mix of Government subsidy and Bank credit.

(b), (c) & (d) The funds released by the Ministry of Rural Development and the achievement made under various schemes during the last three years i.e. 2001-02, 2002- 03, 2003-04 and 2004-05 (upto July, 2004) are given in the Statement at Annexure-I. Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) is a specific scheme to bring down poverty ratio in the rural areas including Punjab.