

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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ASSESSMENT OF NREGS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to assess the impact of National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) through Indian Institute of Management (IIMs) and Indian Institute of Technologies (IITs); and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

(a) & (b): Ministry of Rural Development held a Round Table Conference on Professional Support to NREGA on 1.8.2008 in which representatives from IITs (IIT Mumbai, IIT Roorkee, IIT Delhi and IIT Kharagpur); IIMs (IIM Ahmedabad, IIM Kolkatta and IIM Shillong); Agricultural Universities and other Universities across India had participated. The objective of the Conference was to involve professional institutions with NREGA implementation through a variety of activities like debates, seminars, research, action research internships, curricula, training, monitoring and evaluation. No proposals have so far been received from the IITs and IIMs whose representatives had attended the conference.