

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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REVIEW OF RURAL SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Union Government has reviewed the performance of all the centrally sponsored schemes under the Ministry during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether a proposal to transfer some of the schemes to the States is under consideration of the Union Government;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) The Performance of Centrally Sponsored Schemes of the Ministry of Rural Development is reviewed constantly for which a comprehensive Monitoring system has been put in place. The mechanisms of performance review include review by Union Ministers with Chief Ministers, Performance Review Committees, Area Officers Scheme, Vigilance & Monitoring Committees at State and District Levels, District Level Monitors, National Level Monitors, Concurrent and Quick Evaluation Studies and Impact Assessment Studies. The outcome of these reviews is utilized for necessary policy interventions at different levels.

(c) to (e) On the basis of the suggestions made by the Planning Commission, the Ministry of Rural Development had undertaken a Zero Based Budgeting exercise after which a number of Centrally Sponsored Schemes of this Ministry were either transferred to States or were restructured. At present only limited number of Centrally Sponsored Schemes having national priorities are being implemented by the Ministry of Rural Development and as such there is no proposal to transfer these schemes to the States.