

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1678
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EBT SYSTEM FOR WAGE PAYMENT UNDER MGNREGS
Bajwa Shri Partap Singh

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to shift completely to a smart card based Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) system to pay wages to beneficiaries of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS); and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN `ADITYA`)

(a): No, Sir. At present, no such proposal is under consideration of the Government.

(b): Does not arise.