

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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RURAL POVERTY ALLEVIATION PROGRAMMES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the extent to which the Government has achieved the target set for rural poverty alleviation;
- (b) the criteria fixed to assess the success in poverty alleviation programmes;
- (c) whether the rural poverty alleviation programmes run by the Government have turned out to be a failure;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to make poverty alleviation programmes a success?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing various schemes such as Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) and Mahatama Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA). The target achieved under IAY is as under:

IAY (No. of houses in lakh)

Year Target Achievement % age of target achieved

2007-08 21.27 19.92 93.66

2008-09 21.27 21.34 100.32

2009-10 40.52 33.84 83.52

SGSY has been operated since 1.4.1999. Since the inception of Scheme 3820588 number of Self Help Groups have been formed and 14323812 swarozgaries assisted with bank credit and subsidy. An amount of Rs. 22983.32 crore credit was mobilized, Rs. 11071.91 crore subsidy was disbursed.

MGNREGA is a demand driven and there are no pre determined targets under the Act. However, 2.10 crore households were provided employment under the Act in 2006-07; 3.39 crore in 2007-08; 4.51 crore in 2008-09 and 5.25 crore have been provided employment during 2009-10.