

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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UPLIFTMENT OF RURAL WOMEN
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes launched by the Government for upliftment of rural women in the country including Karnataka alongwith the amounts allocated under each of the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) whether any criterion has been fixed for the launching of schemes;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the achievements made under these schemes during the said period, scheme-wise;
- (e) whether any proposal in above context from the States including Karnataka are pending with the Government; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the time by which these are likely to be cleared?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) The Ministry of Rural Development have not launched any scheme specifically for upliftment of rural women in Karnataka during the last three years. However, the Ministry is implementing three major programmes i.e. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) and Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) having special provisions for coverage of rural women in the country including Karnataka.

The wage-employment programme of MGNREGA is demand driven. However, the guidelines provide that 1/3rd of the employment opportunities should flow to the women who register and demand for wage employment under the programme. During the last three years, it has been reported that the share of women in the persondays of employment generated under MGNREGA has been 47%. The SGSY is a self-employment programme under which rural poor are organized into Self-Help Groups (SHGs), given training for their capacity building and are provided assistance in the form of subsidy and bank credit to set up economic activities. It has been provided in the guidelines that 40% of the swarozgaris assisted under the programme have to be women. During the last three years, the percentage of women assisted under SGSY has been more than 67%. Under the Rural Housing Programme of IAY, the house is allotted in the name of women member of the rural BPL household or jointly in the name of husband and wife.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.