

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1041
ANSWERED ON:15.11.2010
NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE COUNCIL
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether civil society members feel that the National Employment Guarantee Council set up under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) and meant to be watchdog of the scheme has failed and is totally ineffective;
- (b) if so, the facts and the reaction of the Government; and
- (c) the steps which the Government is taking to check the degeneration of the Council?

Answer

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

- (a): The Ministry has not received any reference from members of civil society in this regard.
- (b) & (c): Do not arise in view of (a) above.