

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1942
ANSWERED ON:22.11.2010
RAJIV GANDHI SEWA KENDRAS UNDER MGNREGS
Kaswan Shri Ram Singh

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to set up Bharat Nirman Rajiv Gandhi Sewa Kendras under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS);
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether several experts have expressed their concern over the scheme; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Construction of Bharat Nirman Rajiv Gandhi Sewa Kendra at Gram Panchayat level has been included as a permissible activity in para 1 of Schedule I of the Act vide Notification dated 11.11.2009. It will serve as Village Knowledge Resource Centre and also as Gram Panchayat Bhawan.
- (c): No, Sir
- (d): Does not arise.