

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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DISPARITY IN FUNDS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal for reviewing Below Poverty Line (BPL) cards;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is disparity in funds received by all the districts in the country under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS);
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The Ministry of Rural Development has no proposal for reviewing Below Poverty Line (BPL) cards as the subject comes under the purview of State/UT Governments.

(c)to(e): Mahatma Gandhi NREGA is demand -based legislation. Under the Act, funds are released to the States/Districts on the basis of Agreed Labour Budget and physical and financial performance of the Programme by the Districts/States in the previous year. Therefore, there is no disparity in the funds released by the Ministry to the States/Districts.