

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SGSY

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds allocated under Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY) during each of the last three years alongwith the number of unemployed persons provided self-employment with the help of the said funds, State-wise;
- (b) whether any report has been received by the Government on the implementation of SGSY from the National Institute of Rural Development and the Bankers Institute of Rural Development;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to implement these recommendations?

Answer

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

- (a): A statement indicating State-wise funds allocated and total number of swarojgaries assisted under Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY) during the last three years i.e. 2007-08 to 2009-10 is at Annexure.
- (b) & (c): National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad has conducted some studies on Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY) while Bankers Institute of Rural Development (BIRD), Lucknow had also conducted one study on SGSY in 2007. The main observations of these studies were (i) lack of financial literacy amongst the rural poor, (ii) needs better access to credit for the rural poor, (iii) level of loan repayment amongst beneficiaries was high (iv) reduced dependence on moneylenders as a result of improved credit linkage and income available from the enterprise (v) lack of market linkages,(vi) poor quality of Self Help-Groups, (vii) requirement of long term hand holding of SHGs (viii) regular training and capacity building, (ix) lack of professional implementing agency etc.
- (d): The SGSY has now been restructured as National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) taking into account the feedback provided and recommendations made by various studies including those conducted by National Institute of Rural Development (NIRD), Hyderabad, Bankers Institute of Rural Development (BIRD), Lucknow, Centre for Management Development, Thiruvananthapuram etc. and reports of the Steering Committee constituted by the Planning Commission for the 11th Plan and the Prof. Radhakrishna Committee set up by the Ministry of Rural Development.