GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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RURAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the mechanism in place to monitor implementation of various rural development schemes in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has undertaken any review in the recent past to assess their overall impact;
- (c) if so, the outcome thereof;
- (d) whether the Government also proposes to strengthen the monitoring mechanism for betterment of the administrative control in this regard; and
- (e) the other steps that the Government contemplates to ensure proper implementation of these schemes?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRI VILASRAO DESHMUKH)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 116 due for answer on 03.03.2011

- (a): The mechanism in place to monitor implementation of various rural development schemes being implemented by the Ministry of Rural development include, Periodic Progress Reports, Performance Review Committee (PRC), Area Officer's Scheme, National Level Monitors (NLM), National Quality Monitors (NQM), Delivery Monitoring Unit (DMU), Outcome Budget Monitoring, monitoring by bodies like Central Employment Guarantee Council and other independent bodies and Vigilance & Monitoring Committee at the State/District level.
- (b)&(c): Review of schemes is a continuous process. As per the reports from State Governments and independent research agencies, though there are occasional aberrations, the overall impact and outcome of all these schemes is satisfactory.
- (d): The monitoring mechanism is strengthened and modified continuously as per the needs of the scheme implementation. Further, Information Technology and Computer Technology are being utilized to facilitate monitoring.
- (e): To ensure proper implementation of the rural development schemes, the State Governments and UT Administrations have been advised to adopt a five-pronged strategy consisting of (i) creation of awareness about the schemes,(ii) transparency, (iii) people's participation,(iv) accountability, social audit and (v) vigilance and monitoring of rural development programmes at all levels.