

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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BIOMETRIC DATABASE FOR MGNREGS

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has announced to implement Biometric technology and creating a biometric database for all workers under the flagship Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) to ensure authentications work, applications, work site attendance and wage payments;

(b) if so, the time by which this biometric database will be created;

(c) whether implementation of this scheme has suffered setbacks in naxal affected areas; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to see that the benefits of this scheme is reached in Naxal attached areas?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): No time limit has so far been prescribed for completion of the work relating to creation of a biometric database.

(c): The scheme has so far not been implemented in any areas of the country.

(d): Does not arise.