

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF FUNDS  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Ministry of Rural Development is facing shortage of funds and, as a result thereof, unable to implement its projects:
- (b) if so, whether the Government is considering to take assistance from the World Bank for its flagship schemes, viz National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) etc.
- (c) the names of the projects for which the Government is planning to take assistance from the World Bank; and
- (d) the amount of loan sought by the Government as soft loan from the World Bank for all its projects?

**Answer**

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

(a): No Sir,

(b) to (d): The Ministry of Rural Development has re-structured the Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), as National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) (renamed as Aajeevika) with a clear objective of rural poverty reduction through creation and strengthening institutional platforms of the rural poor. Aajeevika will provide a combination of financial resources and technical assistance to States so they can use the comprehensive livelihoods approach. The World Bank is providing an investment support under National Rural Livelihoods Project (NRLP) to the Ministry for professionalizing the overall program management of Aajeevika and moving towards a results-based approach throughout the country. The World Bank financing for the proposed NRLP for approximate US\$1 billion.