

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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DROUGHT

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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government propose to launch special assistance schemes/ projects in the drought affected States of the country including Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof, alongwith the amount allocated under such schemes and programmes during the last one and the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether any employment scheme is also likely to be introduced for the drought affected States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) & (b): Planning Commission has reported that there is no proposal under consideration at present to launch Special Assistance Schemes/Projects in the drought affected states of the country including Jharkhand and other States.

(c) & (d): Ministry of Rural Development has been implementing Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), under which 100 days of employment to one person per family on demand is given.