GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2978
ANSWERED ON:24.07.2009
VIGILANCE AND MONITORING COMMITTEES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether meetings of the Vigilance and Monitoring Committees at State and District levels are held regularly in various States;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details of such meetings held during the last one year and the current year;
- (c) the action taken by the Government on their findings;
- (d) whether complaints have been received from elected representatives of the people including the Members of Parliament against V&M Committees for not holding the meetings regularly and not monitoring the rural development projects as per the laid down rules;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the corrective measures taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The meetings of State and District level Vigilance & Monitoring Committees are to be held once in a quarter. During the year 2008-09, 36 State Level and 575 District level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee meetings were held as per information received in the Ministry. Statements showing State-wise and District-wise details of the meetings held are given at Annexures-I&II. With the coming into being of the XV Lok Sabha the Vigilance and Monitoring Committees constituted earlier stand dissolved.

(c): The Guidelines provide that for action on any points pertaining to the State Government, the Vigilance and Monitoring Committees shall forward their observation/recommendation to them. The Ministry of Rural Development shall be informed of any gross violation noticed.

(d)to(f): Some complaints had been received from States, including from Members of Parliament from Arunachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Chhatisgarh, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal for not holding of meetings of the Vigilance and Monitoring Committees regularly and as per guidelines. The Ministry pursues with the State Governments and District Administration for organizing the meetings as per guidelines and the complaints received were brought to their notice.

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Annexure- I
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Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2978 due for answer on 24.07.2009.

State Level Vigilance & Monitoring Committees Meetings held during 2008-09.

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S. No. States
                Number of meetings held
1 Andhra Pradesh
                      1
2 Arunachal Pradesh
3 Assam
4 Bihar
                  1
5 Chhattisgarh
6 Goa
7 Gujarat
8 Harvana
9 Himachal Pradesh
10 Jammu & Kashmir
11 Jharkhand 1
12 Karnataka
              1
13 Kerala
14 Madhya Pradesh
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15 Maharashtra
16 Manipur
17 Meghalaya
               1
18 Mizoram
19 Nagaland
20 Orissa
21 Punjab
             1
22 Rajasthan
23 Sikkim
24 Tamil Nadu
25 Tripura
              1
26 Uttaranchal
27 Uttar Pradesh
28 West Bengal 3
29 Andaman & Nicobar
30 Daman & Diu 1
31 Dadar & Nagar Haveli
32 Lakshadweep
               1
33 Pondicherry
Total
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Annexure-II

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2978 due for answer on 24.07.2009.

District Level Vigilance & Monitoring Committee meetings held during 2008-09.

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Sl. No. Name of States Total No. of Districts No of Meetings
 No.of District where meeting held of District level
         V & MC
1 ANDHRA PRADESH
                  23
2 ARUNACHAL PRADESH 16
3 ASSAM 27
                    11
                                   14
4 BIHAR
          39
                           23
                                   23
5 CHHATTISGARH
               16
                                                11
6 GOA
         2
                          2
                                         2
7 GUJARAT 25
8 HARYANA 20
                      25
                                      62
8 HARYANA
                      10
                                     13
9 HIMACHAL PRADESH 12
                              3
10 JAMMU & KASHMIR
                               2
                   22
11 JHARKHAND 24
12 KARNATAKA 29
                         5
                                         6
13 KERALA 14
                              14
                                             32
14 MADHYA PRADESH
                   48
                              40
                                             63
15 MAHARASHTRA 33
                                 21
                                                34
16 MANIPUR 9
               7
17 MEGHALAYA
                                7
                                               7
18 MIZORAM
              8
                                8
                                             11
19 NAGALAND 11
20 ORISSA
            30
                              17
                                             29
21 PUNJAB
            20
                              7
                                             8
22 RAJASTHAN 33
23 SIKKIM 1
                         26
                                        41
                                              2
                              1
24 TAMIL NADU 29
                                29
                                               51
25 TRIPURA 4
                                4
                                              4
26 UTTARANCHAL 13
                                                10
27 UTTAR PRADESH 70
                                   44
                                                  63
28 WEST BENGAL 19
                                                15
                                 11
29 ANDAMAN & NICOBAR
                                               3
30 D & NAGAR HAVELI
31 DAMAN AND DIU 2
                                    2
                                                   3
32 LAKSHADWEEP
                                  1
                                                 1
33 PONDICHERRY
                               1
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Total
                              612
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