

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:359

ANSWERED ON:19.12.2011

INCLUSION OF DALIT VILLAGES IN PMAGY SCHEME

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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages declared as model villages under the Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana (PMAGY), State-wise including Maharashtra;
- (b) the basic criteria for selection of villages under the scheme and the number of projects undertaken for the purpose of integrated development of these villages;
- (c) the details of the funds sanctioned, released and incurred by the Government for the development of such villages since inception of the scheme;
- (d) whether the Government has received requests from various State Governments to include all villages with 50 per cent population of Dalits in the said scheme to ensure their all-round development; and
- (e) if so, the response of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI MUKUL WASNIK)

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

Statement in answer to part (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 359 for 19.12.2011 by Shri Ponnam Prabhakar, M.P. and Shri A. Venkata Rami Reddy, M.P. regarding 'Inclusion of Dalit Villages in PMAGY Scheme'.

(a) 1000 villages, in five States, have been selected for implementation of Pilot Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojna (PMAGY) as follows:-

Sl. No. State No. of Villages selected for Pilot Phase

1	Himachal Pradesh	225
2	Bihar	225
3	Rajasthan	225
4	Tamil Nadu	225
5	Assam	100

(b) PMAGY aims to ensure integrated development of selected villages having more than 50% Scheduled Caste (SC) Population:-

(i) Primarily, through convergent implementation of existing Schemes of Central and State Governments in the selected villages, and

(ii) By meeting needs which can not be met through

(i) above, through provision of 'gap-filling' funds for which central assistance would be provided at the average rate of Rs.20.0 lakh per village, with State Government also expected to make a suitable, preferably matching contribution.

Concerned State Governments have been requested to undertake the Baseline Survey of the identified villages and prepare the Village Development Plans.

(c) Central Assistance amounting to Rs.201 crore has been sanctioned and released to the concerned State Government since inception of the Scheme.

(d) No Sir.

(e) Does not arise.