GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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UTILISATION OF SGSY FUNDS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether all the State Governments have utilised the allocation made under the Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY);
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor indicating the details of unutilised amount during the last three financial years, State-wise including Jharkhand: and
- (c) the steps taken by the Union Government to impress upon the States to utilise the allocation made for SGSY?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

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

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) to Lok Sabha Starred Question No.391 for answer on 03/05/2012

- (a)&(b): A statement indicating the State-wise details of unutilized funds under Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY) during the last three financial years i.e. 2009-10, 2010-11 & 2011-12, including Jharkhand is at Annexure- I. The reasons for non-utilization of allocated funds under SGSY may be attributed to the following factors:
- (i) Late submission of claim proposals by the District Rural Development Agencies (DRDAs) causing late release of funds because of which the DRDAs get less time to utilize the funds allocated to them.
- (ii) Multiple schemes being implemented by the Central Government as well as the State Government through DRDAs thus overburdening the staff of the DRDAs.
- (iii) Lack of timely disbursement of credit by the banks adversely affecting the disbursal of subsidy amongst the SGSY beneficiaries.
- (c): The Ministry periodically monitors the utilization of funds by the DRDAs and issues necessary instructions for taking remedial steps for optimum utilization of allocated funds.

Taking into account various drawbacks under SGSY, including non-utilization of allocated funds by the DRDAs, the SGSY has now been restructured as the National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM). NRLM would have dedicated structures at State, district and sub-district levels, manned with suitable professionals to implement NRLM in a Mission mode, with better absorption capacity for the funds released under the programme.