

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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DECLINE IN JOBS UNDER MGNREGS

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of households provided employment during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether the number of households that availed jobs under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme has declined by over 20 per cent during 2011-12 as compared to the 2010-11;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Union Government to cover more persons under the Scheme?

Answer

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

(a): The details of households provided employment under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) during the last three years (2009-10 onwards) as reported by States/UTs are given in Annexure. The data reported by States/UTs in Management Information System (MIS) is till 23.4.2012 with data from some States yet to be fully uploaded.

(b) to (d): The decline in number of households provided employment in 2011-12 compared to 2010-11 is about 10% as per the data reported by States/UTs in MIS till 23.4.2012. MGNREGA provides a legal guarantee for up to 100 days of wage employment to every rural household in a financial year for doing unskilled manual work, on demand to be made following a prescribed process. As employment is provided on demand, households provided employment by the States/UTs depends on demand for employment.