

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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TRAINING TO YOUTH UNDER NRLM
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has initiated or proposes to initiate any programme to provide job training to the rural youth under the National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of youth expected to be benefited from this scheme; and
- (d) the different skills or trades to be taught to the youth including the reasons for selecting these sets of skills under NRLM?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

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

Statement referred to in reply to Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 494 due for reply on 10.5.2012

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. A scheme titled Swarnjayanti Gram SwarozgarYojana (SGSY) was launched on 1.4.1999 with a view to bring the assisted families above poverty line by ensuring appreciable sustained level of income over a period of time. SGSY has been re-designed and re-structured into National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM). 15% of the total allocations under SGSY/NRLM are for Special Projects. Under special project component of SGSY, placement linked skill development programme are taken up through public private partnership. The objective of each Special Project for skill development is to ensure a time-bound training and capacity building programme for bringing a specific number of Below Poverty Line (BPL) families above the poverty line through placement ensuring regular wage employment.

(c): The number of youth to be benefited by special projects depends upon the quantum of funds allocated for the scheme which in turn determines the number of projects sanctioned in a financial year. Up to 31.3.2012, the Ministry has sanctioned 167 placement linked skill development projects targeting 12.66 lakh beneficiaries. As per reports available, 5.96 lakh beneficiaries have been trained out of which 4.47 lakh have been placed for wage employment up to 31.3.2012.

(d): Under skill development projects, trades are selected based on employment opportunities as assessed by the Project Implementing Agency. Skills are imparted generally for entry level jobs in various sectors. The trades selected include Hospitality and Facility Management; Computer Operator/Computer Accounting; Apparel; Construction; Retail Management; Security, Service & Manufacturing, Engineering, BPO, Automobiles etc.