

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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MIGRATION OF RURAL POPULATION .  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the migration of rural population has decreased due to the implementation of rural development schemes during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the detail thereof in percentage, State-wise;
- (c) whether there is any plan to include new activities in the schemes;
- (d) if so, whether some suggestions have been received from States and public representatives in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): The findings of Independent studies conducted by the Ministry of Rural Development indicate that out-migration from villages has gone down due to implementation of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA). Ministry of Rural Development is implementing various rural development schemes for creating employment opportunities, providing access to basic needs and creating rural infrastructure through the schemes namely MGNREGA to provide guaranteed wage employment of 100 days in a financial year to a rural household whose adult members are willing to take up manual work, National Rural Livelihood Mission with the objectives to provide self-employment to the members of the rural poor families, Watershed Development Programmes for area development. Besides, Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) are also implemented to provide basic needs and developing rural infrastructure for improving living conditions of rural masses so that migration of people from rural to cities could be reduced.

(c)to(e): The Ministry of Rural Development has been receiving suggestions of State Governments, Public representatives and NGOs from time to time for inclusion of new initiatives in rural development schemes. The suggestions are discussed at appropriate forums.