

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PLANNING  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6628  
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SURVEY ON IMPACT OF MGNREGAS  
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**Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Planning Commission has conducted any study or survey during the last six months on the impact of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) Scheme on small and marginal farmers including Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the findings of this study;
- (c) whether additional inputs is proposed to be directed to small and marginal farmers;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of new policies in this regard to offset the neglect of farmers in Twelfth Plan period?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a): No Madam. The Planning Commission has not conducted any study or survey during the last six months on the impact of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) Scheme on small and marginal farmers including Maharashtra. However, the Programme Evaluation Organisation (PEO) of Planning Commission has been guided to undertake an evaluation study on MGNREGA, the main objective of which will be to evaluate the implementation process and the impact of the programme at the ground level, and, also to have an assessment of the quality and quantity of the assets created during the implementation of the said scheme.

(b), (c), (d) & (e): In view of (a) above, the Questions do not arise.