

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SELF HELP GROUPS UNDER NRLM
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to incorporate 4.5 crore households into Self Help Groups under National Rural Livelihood Mission;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the targets set by the Government for the same with special reference to Odisha; and
- (d) the funds allocated by the Government for same, State-wise and year-wise for the last three years and the current year?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) proposes to cover all the Below Poverty Line (BPL) households under Self Help Group (SHG) network. It has set out with an agenda to reach out, mobilize and support 7.0 crore rural poor households (as per projections of Planning Commission) in the country into self-managed SHGs and their federal institutions and livelihoods collectives. 2.5 crore rural BPL households have already been organized and brought into SHG network under the erstwhile Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY).

(c): NRLM will be a demand driven programme and the states including Odisha are required to formulate their own poverty reduction action plans, including physical and financial targets, under it based on their past experience, resources and skills base, within the overall norms prescribed in framework for implementation for NRLM and the annual financial allocation to the State by Ministry of Rural Development for NRLM.

(d): A statement indicating the central allocation of funds, State-wise and year-wise for the last three years and the current year is at Annexure-I.