GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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REVIEW OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed or conducted any study to assess the performance and status of implementation of various rural development schemes in operation in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the names of the flagship programmes which failed to achieve their physical and financial targets during the last three years and the current year, year-wise;
- (d) whether the Union Government has advised the State Governments to fix responsibilities in the event of failure to meet the assigned targets under rural development schemes; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to implement the rural development schemes effectively?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTERY OF RURAL EVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN 'ADITYA')

- (a) & (b): The Ministry of Rural Development has put in place a comprehensive system of the monitoring and review of the implementation of the programmes which inter-alia include Periodical Progress Reports, Performance Review Committee, Area Officer's Scheme, Vigilance and Monitoring committees at the State and District levels and National Level Monitors. The implementations of the Schemes are regularly reviewed and necessary changes are made wherever such changes are warranted for better functioning of the schemes.
- (c): The flagship programmes of the Ministry of Rural development are Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). The performance of most of the States was found to be satisfactory during the last three years. State-wise financial and physical progress of flagship programme during the last three years (i.e. 2009-10-, 2010-11 and 2011-12) is given at Annexure.
- (d) & (e): No, Sir. However to improve the effective implementation of programmes, the Ministry of Rural Development has advised the State Governments to adopt five pronged strategy comprising of (i) creation of awareness about the Rural Development Programmes. (ii) People's participation (iii) transparency (iv) Social audit and (v) monitoring of Rural Development programmes at all levels.