

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF TRADE CENTRES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has sent a proposal to set up trade centres in villages;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the funds sanctioned for this scheme;
- (d) whether Government proposes to provide funds upto District/Tehsil level; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN 'ADITYA')

(a) to (e): Under Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), a major self employment programme of the Ministry of Rural Development, there is a provision for setting up of permanent marketing centres or Haats at Village, District and State levels in all States including Maharashtra. Funds upto Rs.15 lakhs for creation of Village Haats, upto Rs.1.5 crores for a district level Haat and upto Rs.3.00 crores for a Haat at the State capital are permissible under this component. These funds are shared between Centre and the States in the ratio of 75:25 while in case of Centre and North Eastern States, the funds are shared in the ratio of 90:10.

During the financial year 2008-09, Ministry of Rural Development released funds amounting to Rs.556.875 lakhs as first installment to 33 District Rural Development Agencies (DRDAs) of Maharashtra for creation of 99 Village Haats (3 Village Haats per DRDA). Subsequently, based on the progress in utilization of funds, the Ministry has also released funds amounting to Rs.202.5 lakhs as second installment to twelve DRDAs so far.