

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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UTILISATION OF FUNDS UNDER VARIOUS SCHEMES

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has recently warned the States on inadequate utilisation of funds lying with them under various flagship schemes;
- (b) if so, whether most of the State Governments are not utilising the Integrated Watershed Management Programme and Integrated Wasteland Development Programme funds and thereby schemes are mostly affected;
- (c) if so, the details of States which are not properly utilising the funds allocated under various flagship schemes;
- (d) the action contemplated by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the details of funds allocated and utilised under the said schemes during the last three years and the current year?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Rural Development has been constantly monitoring and reviewing the implementation and impact of the flagship programmes including Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP) and Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (IWDP) through online Periodical Progress Reports, Performance Review Committee, Area Officer Scheme, Vigilance and Monitoring Committee at the State/District level and National Level Monitors. Besides, State Governments have been advised to adopt a five-pronged strategy consisting of (i) creation of awareness about schemes, (ii) transparency, (iii) People's partnership, (iv) accountability, social audit and (v) strict vigilance and monitoring at all levels. The outcome of review/monitoring of programmes indicates better implementation of poverty alleviation programmes in the states.

(e): The details of funds allocated and utilized under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Indira Awas Yojana (IAY), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP) and Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (IWDP) during the last three years and the current year are at Annexures. MGNREGS being demand based, no allocation of funds is made under the scheme.