

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SCHEMES FOR HILLY AREAS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any comprehensive scheme for making the life of people living in hilly areas comfortable and for improving their life style;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the villages covered under the scheme; and
- (c) the number of people benefited by this scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT wise including Rajasthan?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing through State Governments and Union Territory Administrations the major programmes namely; Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Swarnjayanti Gram Swaroggar Yojana (SGSY)/ National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) and Integrated Watershed Management Programmes (IWMP) in all the rural areas of the country including hilly areas. The objectives of these programmes are to provide employment & poverty alleviation, basic amenities, rural infrastructure and area development to enable the rural people improving their living standards.

(c): State-wise benefits provided, including state of Rajasthan under MGNREGA, IAY, SGSY/NRLM and NSAP during the last three years (i.e. 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13) are given at Annexure. Progress reports of these programmes for the current financial year (2013-14) have not been received.