## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3105 ANSWERED ON:29.08.2013 PROPOSAL FOR RURAL HAATS Devi Aswamedh

## Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) The number of proposals received for setting up of GraminHaats especially in Bihar; and
- (b) The number of proposals cleared out of the above along with the proposals under consideration?

## **Answer**

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

(a) & (b): The Government has introduced a scheme for setting up of Village Haat (GrameenHaats)under SGSY during 2009 that would help rural artisans to promote marketing of their products. Under the scheme, the Government provides assistance to the States upto `15 lakhs for creation of Village Haats at the rate of 3 per district. The amount will be shared between the Central and State government in the ratio of 75:25 (for NE States, in the ratio of 90:10). So far funds have been released (including administrative approval) as first instalment for construction of 1647 Village Haats in 549 districts of 29 States/UTs since inception. Second instalment has been released for construction of 714 village haats in 238 districts.

As far as the State of Bihar is concerned, first instalment of Central Share for setting up of three village haatseach has been released to DRDA of 37 districts. So far, second instalment of Central Share has been released in respect of 87 Village Haatsin 14 districts of Bihar. No proposal for second instalment has been received from 8 districts. In respect of balance 15 DRDA, the information received from the Government of Bihar is incomplete.