

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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MIGRATION FROM RURAL TO URBAN AREAS

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government maintains the figure of persons migrating from villages to cities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to generate adequate opportunities of work in the rural areas and small towns during the current five year plan with a view to check large scale migration from rural to urban areas;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the centrally sponsored schemes proposed to be launched in this regard; and
- (f) the amount of funds, earmarked for the purpose, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) in its 64th Sample Survey conducted during July 2007 to June 2008 collected migration particulars along with the information on employment and unemployment.

(c)to(f): Ministry of Rural Development is implementing various rural development schemes for creating employment opportunities, providing access to basic needs and creating rural infrastructure. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme provides guaranteed wage employment of 100 days in a financial year to a rural household whose adult members are willing to take up unskilled manual work. National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) is implemented with the objective of providing self-employment to the members of the rural poor families. The findings of independent studies conducted by the Ministry of Rural Development indicate that out-migration from villages has gone down due to implementation of Mahatma Gandhi NREGS. Besides, Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) are also implemented to provide basic needs and developing rural infrastructure for improving living conditions of rural masses so that distress migration of people from rural to cities could be reduced.