

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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MASTER PLAN FOR RURAL AREAS  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to prepare a master plan for rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the master plan is likely to be prepared?

**Answer**

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

(a) No, Madam. However, the Ministry of Rural Development is implementing various rural development programmes in rural areas of the country namely, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), PradhanMantri Gram SadakYojana (PMGSY), National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) and Indira AwaasYojana (IAY) as a part of overall planning process through State Governments and UT Administrations. The objective of these programmes is to bring about overall improvement in the quality of life in rural areas through employment generation, development of rural infrastructure and provision of other basic amenities.

(b) &(c) Do not arise.