GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3583 ANSWERED ON:13.02.2014 MIGRATION OF LABOUR Viswanathan Shri P.

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is large scale migrationof labourers from rural, tribal and remoteareas to urban areas in search of employment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether such migration hasadversely affected the implementation of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS); and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the stepstaken by the Government to remedy thesituation?

Answer

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

(a)to (d): No Madam. Studies on the impact of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) have shown that its implementation leads to reduction in distress migration from rural areas and substantial increase in rural wages.