

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4966  
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GRAMEEN KAUSHALYA YOJANA  
Biswas Shri Radheshyam

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched 'Roshni' as special initiative under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana to provide rural youth in extremism affected areas for employment and bring them back in the main stream, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any action plan has been prepared in this regard, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to start this programme in backward and extremist prone areas of North-Eastern States; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) Yes, Madam. Roshni is a special initiative under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana for training and placement of youth from 27 Left Wing extremist affected districts in 9 States.

(b) A total of 23 projects covering 54036 candidates at a cost of Rs. 248.45 crores have been approved for implementation as below:

State	No. of Projects	Candidates covered
Bihar	2	3500
Chhattisgarh	5	10396
Jharkhand	8	21511
Odisha	8	18629
Total	23	54036

(c) No Madam. Roshni is exclusively for 27 LWE districts.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to (c) above.