

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any measures in the rural development sector to meet the Millennium Development Goals of the United Nations; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) :The Department of Rural Development, inter alia, is implementing Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM), Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) and National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) in rural areas of the country, 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. These Rural Development Schemes help in attaining some of the Millennium Development Goals such as Eradication of Extreme Poverty and Hunger, Promotion of Gender Equality, Empowerment of Women, Ensuring Environmental Sustainability, etc.